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Crew Fear Shanghai Unsafe For French Seamen, Refuse To Sail FUTILE APPEAL BY CONSUL

More than 200 French stewards, engineers and sailors of the 12,546-ton liner *Champollion* stolidly refused to leave Hong Kong for Shanghai yesterday.

STOP PRESS

Hong Kong's Preventive Service captured a bullet-riddled American motor torpedo boat, the occupant of which were armed with machine-guns, rifles and revolvers, last night.

The speed-boat, believed to be a smugglers' craft, was captured at Aberdeen shortly before midnight and brought to Hong Kong about 1 a.m.

The boat was filled with general cargo including tins of kerosene which took hours this morning to remove to the Revenue Department's warehouse by truck.

One suspect has been arrested and handed over to the police. The other members of the crew escaped on shore.

Patrolling in Aberdeen Harbour last night, Revenue inspectors and officers sighted the torpedo boat lying alongside one of the jetties. When they approached the craft, the crew on board the speed boat were seen scurrying ashore.

When the Preventive Service personnel boarded the motorboat they found the craft's three engines—two diesel and one Packard—were running. The speed boat, apparently, was about to leave harbour.

In both gun turrets of the speed boat, were machine-guns mounted in position and ready for action. Ammunition magazines were found. One of the rifles found was fully loaded. The revolver which the fleeing men discarded in their flight were also loaded.

Adequate reserve ammunition for these weapons was found in belts lying in the turrets, in the coxswain's cabin and on deck.

Revenue Department inspectors, who participated in the capture, said that "everything on the speed boat showed that the men on board were prepared to fight it out with any interfering craft outside the harbour."

They added that the crew were surprised shortly after they started the motors preparatory to leaving Hong Kong.

The speed boat showed signs of having been involved in a battle elsewhere. Some parts of her superstructure were covered with bullet holes.

Only one suspect was arrested and will be charged this morning with possession of arms.

The motor torpedo boat was navigated to Hong Kong shortly after midnight and berthed alongside the Stone Pier off Connaught Road, Central.

This is the first time, the Revenue Department has captured a speed boat. Their men have been on the look out for such craft being used by smugglers since the time American-made motor torpedo boats were first offered for sale in the local market for conversion into cargo boats.

These craft have been extensively used by smugglers operating between Hong Kong, Macao and Canton. Chinese Customs boats met these craft in smuggling operations in the Pearl River on several occasions. But, owing to their speed, they also managed to outdistance the slow launches of the Customs.

The same type of craft is also being used by gold traffickers.

They regard the Chinese port as unsafe for any French seamen as, they say, when any member of the crew violates Chinese law the entire crew might be held responsible and the vessel detained unnecessarily.

The detention of the French liner *Andre Lebon*, in which contraband was allegedly seized in June, was given as an example. Two engineers of the *Andre Lebon* are held as hostages at Shanghai, pending investigation and negotiations between the Chinese and French authorities.

Attempts to persuade the crew by the French Consul, Monsieur M. R. E. Jobez and the local agents, Messageries Maritimes, on board the three-funnel French liner yesterday afternoon failed.

Ask To Go Back To France

The crew representatives declared that they would refuse to leave for the Chinese port and requested that the steamer leave for France via Saigon.

Meanwhile, the French seamen, most of them Corsican, are awaiting instructions from their "syndicate" the *Cle Generale des Travailleurs*, while the local agents are communicating with their head office.

The crew first expressed their unwillingness to go to Shanghai at Saigon and informed their syndicate about it. The feeling developed as the *Champollion* proceeded to Hong Kong.

Arrest Risk

They complained that they run the risk of being arrested and held as hostages in the event of any incident occurring on board, referring to the recent case of the French liner *Andre Lebon*.

They declared that Shanghai was unsafe for French seamen, as any violation of Chinese law by one man or two would involve members of the whole vessel.

The French Consul told the "China Mail" last night that he visited the vessel and attempted to persuade the crew to leave. He had several discussions with their representatives, the master, Monsieur Vallant, and the local agents on board. But no favourable results were procured. However, Monsieur Jobez said, the crew appeared to be working

CNAC SUSPEND MANILA FLIGHTS

Shanghai, August 31. The China National Aviation Corporation's Shanghai-Manila service will be temporarily suspended from tomorrow pending the conclusion of an air transport agreement between the Philippines and China, it was learned today.

The suspension was asked by the Philippines Government, following the reported refusal of the Chinese air authorities to permit the Philippine Air Lines planes to stopover at Amoy on the Manila-Shanghai run.

CNAC officials contacted today said that the suspension of service was only temporary, as they believe an air agreement could be concluded between the two countries at an early date.

They explained that the decision of the Chinese Government against the landing of Philippine aircraft at Amoy was based on the fact that, according to international air agreements, only international airports were authorized landing points for foreign aircraft.

Amoy, they added, was not an international airport.—Reuters



MRS. RICHARD MORROW-TAIT waves from here tiny Proctor aircraft named "Thursday's Child" just before she took off from Croydon in a round-the-world flight attempt. With her is navigator Michael Townsend. The plane came to grief on landing at Marseilles, but has since been repaired. It is now in Malta.—AP Photo.

COLONY'S 'HOLLYWOOD' A THRIVING INDUSTRY

Hong Kong is now producing some of the best Chinese motion pictures. Among the 11 film production companies in the Colony is the Yung Hwa Motion Picture Industries, Limited which has already spent more than HK\$6,000,000.

Owned by Mr. Lee Tsu-yung who is the producer and general manager, Yung Hwa Motion Picture Industries, Limited, has already completed two productions—"The Soul of China" and "The Sorrows of the Forbidden City"—based on historic episodes before China

became a republic. The two films will be screened at Hong Kong's theatres shortly.

Alimed at international, as well as national and regional distribution, both pictures, which have been made in the mandarin dialect, will be dubbed in English.

Situated behind the old Polo Ground at Kowloon Tong Village, Yung Hwa occupies an area of about 100,000 square feet and has three modern studios and an air-

conditioned, sound-proof studio theatre as well as more than 20 different technical departments essential to the film industry.

More than 200 men are employed at Yung Hwa. They include ordinary workmen, carpenters, painters, costume designers, tailors, beauty specialists, musicians, film editors and researchers with a wide knowledge of Chinese history, ancient and modern.

Under Mr. Lee Tsu-yung, the owner-producer, there are four of China's leading film directors, Richard Poh, Chu Shih-ling, J. H. Chang, and Lee Ping-ching, and seven others.

Many of China's most talented actresses and actors have been signed up by Yung Hwa. Among them are Miss Li Li-hwa, of "The Barber Takes A Wife" fame, Miss Chou Hsuan, acclaimed the "Queen of China", Miss Sun Ching-lu, popularly known as China's "Ann Sheridan", Miss Pei Yang, one of the most versatile actresses in China, Liu Cheung, reputed to be the Chinese counterpart of Tyrone Power, Tso King, Nien Hua, Hsu Lih and Shu Shih.

In addition, Yung Hwa employs more than 2,000 extras. Yung Hwa's studios are installed with modern equipment—Mitchell and Bellhowell cameras, Western Electric recording machines, Houston developers, Mitchell background projectors, Mole-Richardson lighting equipment, Westrex projectors, and Bellhowell copying machines.

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Honours For Colony Students

Two Hong Kong medical men have been awarded exceptional honours as a result of their studies during the past year at Edinburgh and London, respectively.

The Edinburgh student is Dr. Wong Man-hung who has been appointed house surgeon at the Department of Medicine at Edinburgh. He attended the Edinburgh School of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene, has secured a diploma. He has been awarded the Queen's Medal, which is awarded annually to the best student for the year.

GENERALS TO DRAW UP CURRENCY PACT

Russians May Lift Berlin Blockade If Allies Accept Soviet East Mark

London, August 31.

Authoritative British and American diplomatic sources said today the four Military Governors in Berlin will meet during the day to work out a currency deal on the basic principles agreed upon in Moscow.

Other aspects of local conditions in Berlin also will be discussed by the four Governors, a British informant said.

Asked to elaborate, he replied that restoration of traffic facilities between Berlin and the West—stopped by the Russians because of "technical difficulties" for the last 69 days—would be one such subject to be discussed.

He added, however, that it is unlikely the Berlin blockade will be lifted until the second phase of the Moscow talks is completed.

While the Berlin discussions were in progress, however, meetings between Western envoys and Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov in Moscow were unlikely he added.

The British informant said the fact that the four Military Governors are about to meet could be interpreted as indicating that the month-long East-West negotiations in Moscow have resulted in definite agreement on broad principles for a Berlin currency pact.

This, he said, will be on the basis of the Soviet zone's East mark being accepted as Berlin's sole currency, under close, defined four-Power supervision.

The Military Governors due to meet in Berlin today are General Lucius Clay for the United States, General Sir Brian Robertson for Britain, Lieutenant-General Pierre Koenig for France and Marshal Vasily Sokolovsky for the Soviet Union.

No Communiqué

Frank Roberts, special British envoy, who has been representing Britain in the Kremlin talks, which began on July 31, probably will not return to London while the Berlin discussions are in progress, the informant said.

The Moscow negotiators have decided against issuing an interim communiqué detailing the progress of their discussion this far, an authoritative British source said.

If all goes well, the informant said, the Berlin talks—which should aim primarily at setting up the agreed currency arrangement—should last about a week.

If an agreement is reached by the experts there, the scene of negotiations will return to Moscow, where attempts will be made to establish the basis for a new session of the Foreign Ministers Council, which will set out to solve East-West differences over all of Germany and Europe.

The flight of Francois Seydoux, Koenig's political advisor from Moscow to Berlin was to take de-

tailed directives to the four Governors from the Kremlin negotiators, it is understood.

Normal Procedure

Under normal Allied Control Council procedure the Americans would call the meeting since August would be the month in which the Americans would hold the chairmanship. Starting in September, the British hold the chair.

It is understood that the principles involved in the currency reform situation that the Western representatives in Moscow did not have sufficient information on hand to make any final settlement with Russians, and it was decided to refer the matter to the Military Governors, who have been dealing with the situation first hand.

Germany now has two currencies, the Deutsche mark sponsored by the Western Powers and the East mark, sponsored by the Russians.

Some points described in Moscow technical difficulties involve fundamental principles upon which the negotiators at the Kremlin were not sufficiently familiar to make concessions, it is believed.

At the last meeting of the four Military Governors on March 20 Soviet Marshal Sokolovsky, who was Chairman, ended the trade against the West by walking out with his delegation. The Russians then declared four-Power rule in Germany was dead. They never formally announced they would not attend another Control Council meeting, however.

Control Collapse

None of the Military Governors since then has called a meeting. Subsequently the Russians withdrew from all four-Power committee and in effect four-Power rule in Germany ended.

Later the Russians withdrew systematically from separate four-Power machinery governing the city of Berlin, leaving the city split into hostile sections under Russian and Western rule.—Associated Press.

Promotions Tighten Tito's Grip

London, August 31.

Premier Marshal Tito tightened his grip on Yugoslavia today. He promoted to greater power his trusted governmental and party lieutenants, Eduard Kardelj and Alexander Rankovic.

Stanoje Simic, the non-Communist Foreign Minister, was replaced.

Vice-Premier Kardelj was promoted from Chairman of the Control Commission to Foreign Minister.

Rankovic, who heads Yugoslav police, now becomes a Vice-Premier. He remains Minister of Interior.

Kardelj and Rankovic were singled out with Tito by the Russian-dominated Cominform as arch foes of the Moscow line in Yugoslavia.

The shifts were announced in a decree of the ruling Presidium of the Yugoslav National Assembly, which put into effect a "reconstruction of the Yugoslav Government." The decree was broadcast from Belgrade by Tanjug, the official Yugoslav news agency.—Associated Press.

The Weather

At 0600 hours GMT (8 p.m. HK Summer Time) the tropical depression was centred about 160 miles NNE of Manila moving W or WNW at eight to 10 knots. From it a trough extends across the China Sea to Tonghai.

Pressure is high in a ridge extending from E of Honshu across the Yellow Sea to Northern China.

Typhoon forecast: Moderate E or SE winds. Partly cloudy.

Yesterday's Weather: Maximum: 87.3 deg. Fah. Minimum: 77.2 deg. Fah. Sunshine: 11.5 hours.

Rainfall: Nil. Total since Jan. 1—1708.7 mm.—70.81 ins. as against an average of 1763.7 mm.—69.43 ins.

Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m.

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Humidity	80	75	20.60 inches
Rel. Humidity	81	81	%
Wind Force	ENE	ENE	7 to 10 kts.
Wind Direction	ENE	ENE	%
Wind Force	4	11	knots.
Clouds	Time	%	
High	0748	7.7	
Low	2219	4.7	
Low	1820	0.8	

Bringing Back Coin From Japan

Shanghai, August 31.

A Chinese-owned Liberty ship has sailed for Japan to bring back some 500 tons of pre-war Chinese coins, valued at US\$5,000,000, seized by the Japanese forces during the occupation of China.

The coins will be taken over by the Central Bank of China and reissued as part of the new currency, the majority are of the same design and weight as the new subsidiary money.

According to Chinese circles here, while a large quantity of the subsidiary notes will be issued relatively few notes will be put out by the Central Bank.

The half-dollar coin is not expected to make its appearance in the near future.—Reuters.

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HK\$1,105,000 Theft Attempt Alleged

Mortgage Company's Meeting

Oriental Mortgage & Finance Corporation Ltd. held their first post-war annual meeting at their registered office in King's Building yesterday.

The Company, which commenced business in Shanghai in November 1941, suspended business on the Japanese occupation of the Northern part. It registered in Hong Kong on August 22, 1946, but did not actually recommence operations until April the following year.

The net profit for the 15-month period of operations in Hong Kong, ended March 31, 1948, was HK\$2,651,477. This, explained the Directors' Report, actually reflected the operations of four months only, as transactions before December 1947, were negligible.

The meeting was presided over by the Hon. Mr. P. S. Cassidy, others present being Messrs. F. J. Hornum-Fisher, J. D. Clague, and J. L. Marden (Directors) and Mr. J. L. C. Penrice (representing John D. Hutchinson & Co. Ltd., shareholders) and Mr. W. G. E. Lammiman (representing Wheelock Marden & Co. Ltd. shareholders and secretaries).

The reports and accounts were unanimously adopted.

Applications Refused By Urban Council

Sixteen applications for food shop, laundry, milk-shop and roast meat shop licences were refused by the Urban Council at its fortnightly meeting yesterday. The premises of the applicants were unsuitable for the purposes for which licences were requested.

The July report of the Urban Council and Sanitary Department, released yesterday, showed that 22,017 bodies were exhumed at four different cemeteries in Hong Kong, as a result of Government's policy of ridding the island of cemeteries.

In the same period, 3,817, cattle, 45,581, swine and 591 sheep and goats were slaughtered at the Kennedy Town Slaughter House and the Matawei Slaughter House.

From Crown Land, the Anti-Epidemic Squad removed 255 tons of rubble in July and 2,858 tons from private property.

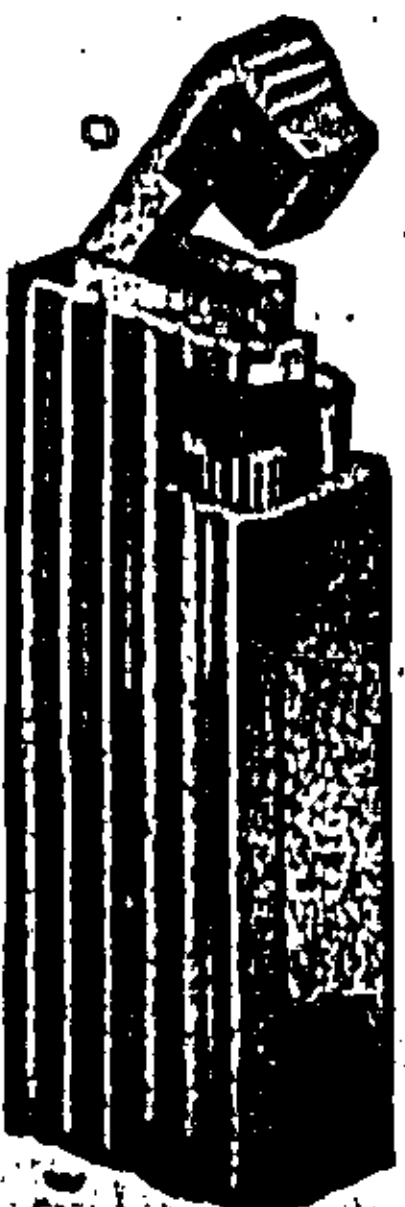
In the same month, 80,769 people patronised the Colony's public bathhouses.

TOC H RECITAL

At tonight's meeting of the T. H. recital of Gramophone records will be presented. They include: "Overture—Egmont"—Beethoven, "Les Sylphides"—Chopin, "Eugene Onegin"—Tchaikovsky, "Symphony No. 8 in B"—"Unfinished"—Schubert, "Gongs sung by Isobel Baillie, T. H. meet at Talbot House, 50, Macdonnell Road, Hong Kong at 8.30 p.m.

Mr. W. Sprague will address the Kowloon Rotary Club tomorrow at the Club's weekly luncheon at the Peninsula Hotel. His subject will be "Safety of Life at Sea."

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Plot To Use Sleight Of Hand To Defraud Amount Revealed

FOUR ON CONSPIRACY CHARGE

How an attempt to steal HK\$1,105,000 by sleight of hand was frustrated by the police was related to the Kowloon Court yesterday by Mr. Robert Steem Smith, former managing clerk of J. M. d'Almada Remedios & Co.

The story was told in evidence against Poon Ping-nam, alias Poon Sui-ye, of 48 Village Road, Wong Chiu, 50-year-old solicitor's interpreter of 145, Woosung Street, Cheung Yung of 2 Peking Road and Cheng Yim-san, 41-year-old druggist of 10 Mongkok Road.

The defendants were charged with conspiring to steal HK\$1,105,000 from the New China Enterprise Co., China Building, between July 15 and 21.

Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr, assistant Crown solicitor, prosecuted for the Crown. Mr. P. J. Griffiths represented Wong Chiu, Detective Sub-Inspector D. Moore assisted in the prosecution. Mr. J. Wicks sat as magistrate.

Poon, who was offered bail of \$12,500, did not attend Court at the last hearing and a warrant for his arrest was issued. He was not in Court yesterday.

Mr. Blair-Kerr told the Court that the police had not managed to lay their hands on Poon, but there would be reference to his financial state. The second defendant, Wong Chiu, known also as K. K. Wong or Lewis, was an interpreter in the office of d'Almada Remedios. This incident, however, had nothing to do with Mr. Remedios or his office or staff.

Evidence would be given, however, to show that the conspirators agreed to use or attempt to use his office premises to facilitate one aspect of their criminal plot. But the police frustrated the plot before it reached that stage.

Regarding the second defendant, Mr. Blair-Kerr said he would bring evidence to indicate that he was suffering from a rather great shortage of ready cash about that time.

Offered Tin

The third defendant described himself as without a job, while the fourth defendant, who seemed to have taken a fairly active part in one aspect of the conspiracy, was a druggist.

This conspiracy started somewhere about July 10 or 12. Mr. Li Cheuk-yin, general manager of the New China Enterprise Co., China Building, was approached by a man named Chui Hung-foon, who apparently had been asked by the fourth defendant if he wanted to buy tin. Chui instead put him on to Mr. Li.

On July 12 Mr. Li met the fourth defendant at the Cecil Hotel, where Cheng offered to sell 140 tons of tin ingots at HK\$470 a picul. Cheng said he was only a fook and the owner's name was Fong.

The fourth defendant further said that Mr. Li had to raise the full amount of the purchase, which amounted to HK\$1,100,000. The tin, Cheng said, was in Canton and it could be delivered in Macao within two weeks.

Details Discussed

At a series of meetings with Cheng, Fong, whom the prosecution said was Poon, the first defendant, and Chui, the third defendant, details of the purchase and sale were discussed.

This included the fact that an agreement would be drawn up as Mr. Li said "through some solicitor called Remedios" and that "the lawyer concerned was a man named Smith."

In the meantime, Mr. Li, contacted his agents in America with a view to reselling the tin and obtaining import permits into America.

Mr. Li was approached by the police on July 21 from whom he received certain instructions. Cheng called on him for the last time that afternoon and Mr. Li, acting on police instructions, informed that he was in a position to raise the necessary cash, and that an agreement of sale should be drawn up.

Mr. R. S. Smith, who knew the second defendant as an interpreter in the same solicitor office, was short of cash then, having incurred an unforeseen expenditure in an air passage to England and back recently.

He had asked Wong if he could lend him \$5,000. Wong was supposed to leave for Macao but he contacted Smith regarding a favour which he wanted Smith to do. Wong asked him to try to delay the execution of a judgment debt against him (Wong) by a judgment creditor. Smith agreed and apparently did.

On July 14, Wong saw Smith at the latter's house, where Wong told him that he could not raise the \$5,000, but informed Smith of a scheme whereby Smith would receive \$50,000 or \$60,000.

He said he would consult his partners and tell him the details later.

suggested they should cross in a sampans dressed in coolie clothes, as all the ferry piers would be closed.

On July 21 they met in his house, witness said, where DBI Moore and Woodhead were unseen spectators. Poon demonstrated his skill. He put a blank paper into an envelope and sealed it with wax against a match box. Suddenly he flung it down on the table and when opened the envelope was empty.

Trick Envelope

Witness said he asked about the trick, but Wong simply replied: "That is the secret of the envelope." He told witness that Poon was perfect at that and had done the trick even to the Japanese.

When defendants left his house that evening he went with DBI Moore and Woodhead to the Kowloon City Station where he saw the four defendants in custody.

Hearing at this stage was adjourned to today at 2.30 p.m. Smith will be cross-examined by defence counsel.

Personalia

Among the departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Monday were Mrs. G. N. Eaton, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Peterson, Mrs. E. M. Park, Messrs. L. N. Gandhi, L. Levy, E. Silver, and J. J. Orsman.

Arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Monday included Mrs. E. Erla, Mrs. I. Pinner, Dr. and Mrs. F. A. B. da Silva, Mrs. A. Rynning, Messrs. A. J. Kane, A. C. Copeland, K. E. Likes, A. S. M. Young, G. R. Wilson, J. R. Steer, and M. van Breukelen.

Wallace P. Reed, Lim Sin Catalina Bascon Yam, Manuel Yam, Manuel Chan, Pablo Co and Lee Hen-arrived from Manila yesterday by CPA.

Departures by Air France for Saigon on Monday included Mrs. A. E. M. Connorton, Buchanan, Nell, M. Rallon, M. Biorf, G. Kaleski, M. Girard, J. Masquin, M. Clement, and Mrs. Pinner.

The following weddings have been announced:

Mr. Luiz Gonzaga Gosano, stenographer, 290 Prince Edward Road, Kowloon, and Miss Socorro Filomena Baptista, stenographer, 28 Cumberland Road, Kowloon.

Mr. Charles Harry Gurr, 2nd Engineer, RFA Green Ranger, H.M. Dockyard, and Miss Jean Eleanor Duff, Harbour View Hotel.

DRUNKEN DRIVING ALLEGED

Arthur Forster Kemp of Shell Petroleum Co. was charged before Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday with driving a motor car while under the influence of drink, and with driving without due care and attention on Murray Road on August 30 at 10.45 p.m.

The case was adjourned for a week.

He was told that they had a contact in the Bank of East Asia, who would delay entering the debit after cashing the \$1,000,000 cheque which would give them time to get away.

Witness said he gave to the police a passport belonging to Wong, who had given it to him shortly before his report to arrange for a visa for Singapore.

Use Influence At one meeting with the defendants, witness said he inquired for the reason that he should get \$50,000 as that would be the sum any solicitor firm would charge for drawing up a legal agreement. He was told that he was to use his influence to make the cashing easier, answer questions or to refrain from calling in the police should anything happen.

It was at first suggested by the defendants that Poon's wife should go to the bank and cash the cheque. But witness said he suggested that they should have a strong escort, which was agreed upon by them.

Asked for the means of crossing the harbour should the escape be discovered, witness said he

Premises Recovered

An action for recovery of possession of premises and damages not exceeding \$1,000 for breach of an implied covenant for quiet enjoyment was heard before Mr. Justice Reynolds (Additional Judge), at the Supreme Court yesterday.

Judgment was given in favour of the defendant, with costs. The plaintiff, Shek King-tung of 60 Main Street, Shaokwan, was represented by Mr. F. D. Hammond of Messrs. Johnson Stokes and Master.

Mr. Alfred Y. Hon represented the defendant, Lam Fung-chau of 68 Main Street, Shaokwan. The plaintiff claimed recovery of possession of 68A Fyng Street East, Ground Floor, Shaokwan, of which he declared himself to be the tenant and the plaintiff the landlord.

He alleged that the defendant had re-occupied the premises without his consent and without having obtained an order of the Court or of a Tenancy Tribunal.

Plaintiff also claimed damages, not exceeding \$1,000, for breach of an implied covenant on the part of the defendant as landlord for quiet enjoyment.

For the defence, it was claimed that there had been a transfer of the tenancy and as a result, plaintiff was not entitled to possession.

Cocktail Party For Dutch Community

The Dutch community, headed by their Consul General, Dr. G. A. Gastmann, were hosts to all Dutch nationals, including officers and crews of Dutch ships in port, at a cocktail party at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden yesterday evening.

Approximately 300 were present at the party, in the course of which Dr. Gastmann made a presentation of the Cross of Merit to Dr. Ma Fuh-teh, for services rendered to the Netherlands Government as a medical surgeon during the re-occupation period.

JAP ANTI-VD CAMPAIGN

Tokyo, August 31. The Japanese Government has passed a venereal disease law to check the growing disease in Japan.

It is the first law of its kind to be enforced in this country. The new law includes compulsory registration and medical treatment of all those affected by the disease and exchange of medical certificates between marrying couples.

Prostitution is most severely attacked by the new law. Those engaged in the exploitation of prostitutes will be imprisoned up to three years or fined up to 20,000 yen.—Reuter.

SLIGHT QUAKE

Tokyo, August 31. A slight tremor rocked the Tokyo area and the vicinity of Oshima Island in Tokyo Bay at 7.40 a.m. today.

The Japanese Government Central Meteorological Observatory reported the epicentre at Kujukurihama in Chiba Prefecture.—United Press.

HEROIN PILLS POSSESSION

Pleading guilty to possession of 1,400 heroin pills at No. 21 Wan-chai Road, ground floor, on August 23, Wong Yuen, a widow, was fined \$3,000 or 18 months by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

Mr. A. d'Arcull who appeared for her said that the pills did not belong to her but had been left there by a friend who promised to call for them later.

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Reminders

Today

Toc H Club meeting Talbot House 50, Macdonnell Road, 8.30 p.m.
Caldbeck, MacGregor & Co., Ltd., annual general meeting, 2, Chater Road, 12.15 p.m.
Sino-British Orchestra rehearsal, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 6 p.m.

Coming Events

TOMORROW
Kowloon Rotary Club luncheon, Peninsula Hotel, 12.30 p.m.
RAF Association luncheon, Jacobson Room, H. K. Hotel, 12.45 p.m.
H.K. Hotel Residents Association meeting, Peninsula Hotel, 9.15 p.m.
Y's Men's Club luncheon, Roof Garden, H.K. Hotel, 12.43 p.m.

FRIDAY

Islamic Union annual general meeting, Cemetery Mosque, 5.45 p.m.

SATURDAY

Swimming Gala, Victoria Recreation Club, 9 p.m.
R.A.F. ASSOCIATION LAUNCH PICNIC

The next launch picnic of the Royal Air Forces Association will be held on Sunday, September 12. Children will be allowed. The launch will leave Queen's Pier at 10.30 a.m., and Kowloon Pier at 10.45 a.m. Applications to participate in the picnic should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Mr. S. Grove.

Union Policy Confirmed

San Francisco, August 30. Leaders of the five strike-threatening Pacific Coast Maritime unions met here tonight to reaffirm their all-for-one policy.

They agreed to refuse to sign contracts until all five individual disputes had been settled. The action implied that all five unions involved would walk out at midnight on Thursday if even one group had not yet reached agreement.

The five unions are at present restrained from striking under the 60-day "cooling off" injunction, which expires at midnight on September 2. The unions include the CIO International Longshoremen, Marine Engineers, Marine Cooks and Stewards, Independent Marine Firemen and AFL Radio Operators.—United Press.

BCOF Man Injured

Tokyo, August 31. Five Japanese were killed, three critically injured, and a BCOF driver injured, when the vehicle in which they were travelling, overturned and fell down a 20-foot cliff yesterday, reports the British Commonwealth Occupation Force Newspaper BCOF.

Japanese living nearby rushed to the scene and worked furiously to uncover the labourers, some of whom were buried under the sand which the truck was carrying, but four were already dead. The fifth died soon after being admitted to hospital.—Reuter.

The Japanese Government Central Meteorological Observatory reported the epicentre at Kujukurihama in Chiba Prefecture.—United Press.

Canton, August 31. A new city Garrison Headquarters, it is reported, is to be set up here. A commanding officer will be appointed to be chief of the new organisation whose functions will include Municipal security, political, military and economic affairs.—Reuter.



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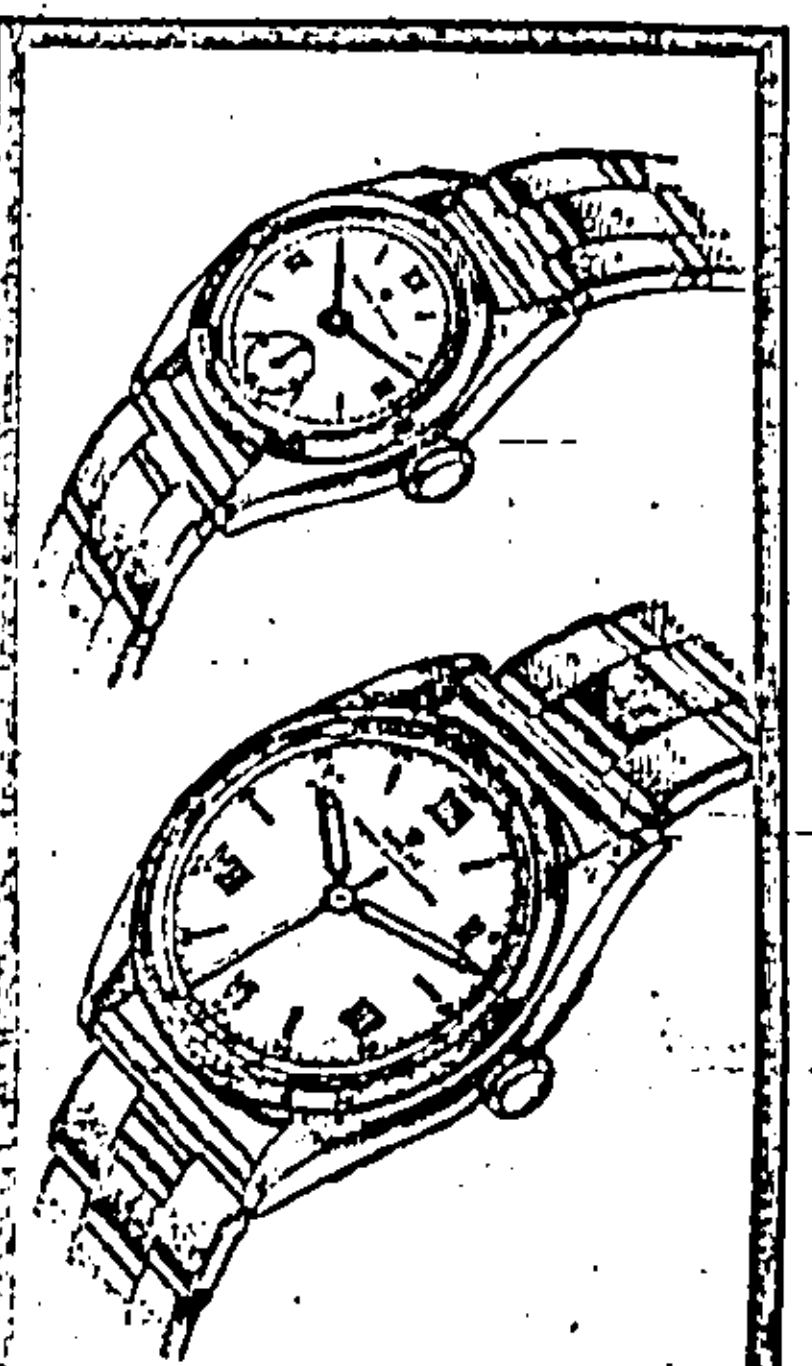
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V. WALKER, Acting General Manager.

23rd August, 1948.

HONG KONG POLICE

GAME LICENCES 1948/49

1. Game licences are due for renewal as from 1st September, 1948.

2. Holders of 1947/48 game licences wishing to renew their licences for 1948/49 should forward the number of their 1947/48 game licence together with 2 recent passport size photographs by letter to the Officer-in-charge, Arms Office, Central Police Station. No money or cheques should be enclosed.

3. On receipt of an official acknowledgement from the Officer-in-charge, Arms Office, the holder should take this together with his expired 1947/48 game licence to the Treasury, Prince's Building, Ice House Street, where on payment of the renewal fee of \$50 (fifty dollars), a new game licence for 1948/49 will be issued.

4. Holders of 1947/48 game licences who do not wish to renew are requested to inform the Officer-in-charge, Arms Office accordingly in writing before 30th September, 1948. After this date, persons found shooting game with a 1947/48 licence will be prosecuted and their gun and ammunition liable to confiscation.

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Death For Spies In Burma

Rangoon, August 30.

President Sao Shwe Thaik of Burma today decreed death or transportation for life to any person trying to collect information about the Burmese Army.

A special ordinance signed by the President applies to anyone trying to get information about the movements, numbers, description and disposition of any Burmese armed forces engaged in the campaign against the insurgents.

Loyal troops and police today drove out Army deserters and re-occupied Thayetmo, a town in the oil district 100 miles North West of Rangoon, from which British families were evacuated three weeks ago. Government administration in the town had been restored. It was officially announced tonight. Thayetmo is 40 miles North of the important communications centre of Pyaw, the next major objective of the Government forces.

A telegram received in Rangoon today from a British employee of the British-owned Steel Brothers cement firm at Thayetmo said that it was believed that Pyaw had also been retaken, but this was not confirmed in tonight's communiqué. The telegram requested that Britons evacuated from Thayetmo be allowed to return, since the situation was now "all quiet." The communiqué also reported actions between Government forces and insurgents in the Hinthawady district, South of Rangoon, and in the Tharawaddy area North West of Rangoon.

Navy In Action
It said that Burmese naval patrol boats attacked Indian patrol boats near Myittha and Bassein, in the Irrawaddy Delta, killing several insurgents. Crack Kuchin troops from the hill tribes of North West Burma, specially flown to Rangoon earlier this month, are being transferred to the offensive against Pyaw in an attempt to smash the Communist base. The Government sources said here today.

Burmese insurgents and troops fought a gun battle on a Mandalay-bound train as it stood in Pyaw station, 120 miles North of here, five days ago, according to declassified reports reaching here today.

The insurgents, who had already cut telephone wires, clambered aboard the stationary train, screened themselves behind or inside coaches, and fired on troops who tried to eject them. The civilian passengers fled for cover as bullets splintered the wooden coaches and ricocheted around the station platform. The attackers were eventually driven off.

Parliament To Meet
Sections of the railway between Pyaw and Eia, 90 miles further North, were also moved by the insurgents, but

NOTICE
ISLAMIC UNION
Due to inclement weather the Second Annual General Meeting of the Islamic Union, convened for Sunday, 30th August, 1948, will now be held at the Muslim Cemetery, Happy Valley, on Friday, 3rd September, 1948, at 5.45 p.m.

By Order of the General Committee.
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Strike Over A Lighter

London, August 30.
A strike which began over a cigarette lighter and now threatens the food rationing of one million people in and around London, spread today when 80 workers of wholesale provision merchants walked off their jobs in but-ter and meat factories. Nearly 250 workers are on strike at the firm. They have declared that they will not return until 45-year-old Jack Bryant, who was dismissed because he took petrol from a lorry to fill his lighter, is reinstated.—Reuter.

Worcester Capsizes

London, August 30.
The old wooden warship Worcester, built in 1830 for coast guard duties, turned over and sank in the Thames Estuary last night.

The old ship, which, during the World War served as the headquarters for a section of the London Auxiliary Water Patrol, was sold to brokers early this year by the Admiralty.

Her English oak was to be used for Government work. She was built as the Royal Sovereign, later relaunching as the William Frederick, and as a training ship for the Thames Nautical Training School, served as a base for 5,000 cadets until three years ago.—Reuter.

Pye Plant In Canada

Cambridge, August 30.
Pye Limited, the electronic manufacturers announced today that the Bank of England has given financial approval for the establishment of a production plant at Ajax, Ontario, for the manufacture of electronic products, including radio and television sets.

The plant will be in the former Government shell-fusing establishment at Ajax and Pye (Canada) Limited will operate the new venture. An early start of production has been planned. The Company added that it was already producing a type of television set suitable for television transmission.—Reuter.

QUIRINO ACCUSED BY TARUC

Manila, August 30.

Luis Taruc, the Hukbalahap commander, today accused the Government of responsibility for failure of the peace efforts in central Luzon.

The charge was contained in a letter to the Democratic Peace Rally, attended by some 10,000 people.

The Huk leader charged that the administration failed to live up to "their agreement." He said that Judge Antonio Quirino, brother to the President principal negotiator in the peace talks, failed to define his stand on the Wallace plank advocating abrogation of the Bell Act and removal of United States troops from the Philippines on foreign soil and also decided to commence trade with Japan "imposed by SCAP."

Judge Quirino denied there was over any secret agreement between him and the Huk chief as the latter charged. He added: "If there is any secret agreement why did he (Taruc) agree?" The chief negotiator for the President also denied an agreement to work for abrogation of the Bell Act.—United Press.

London, August 30.
From today, bookshelves will be carried on six trains: the Gold Arrow, Bournemouth, Thanet and Devon Belle, Queen of Scots and Yorkshire Pullman.—Reuter.

Newsprint Gesture

New York, August 30.
The New York Times would be prepared to give up a percentage of its newsprint to relieve the British newsprint shortage if "other American publishers" will do the same and if the British Government will allocate the dollars, Mr. Arthur Hays Sulzberger, President and Publisher of the "New York Times," told the New York State Publishers Association today.

He said that the British Government "is risking the fundamental democracy of its people by rationing their information."—Reuter.

ELECTED A PRESIDENT

Amsterdam, August 30.
Dr. T. C. Chao, dean of the School of Religion of Yenching University, Peking, was unanimously elected one of the six Presidents of the World Council of Churches today.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Geoffrey Fisher, and four other candidates for the multiple office of President also were elected unanimously at the plenary session.—Associated Press.

BUSINESSMAN'S TOUR OF CHINA

New York, August 30.
Jerome B. Kohlberg, Vice-President of the National Council of American Importers, said today he will leave for China on September 17 for a several month effort to expand activities in the Kame Import Corporation, of which he is president.—United Press.

FLOOD DEATHS

Rangoon, August 30.
Brescia dispatches today reported the death of four women in sudden floods that swept the region in the wake of fresh rain storms.

One of those who died was identified as Signora Maria Ignazio, wife of Don Ignazio Ignazio, former national fencing champion and contestant in the 1936 and 1948 Olympics. Signora Ignazio was reported to have been young children.—Associated Press.

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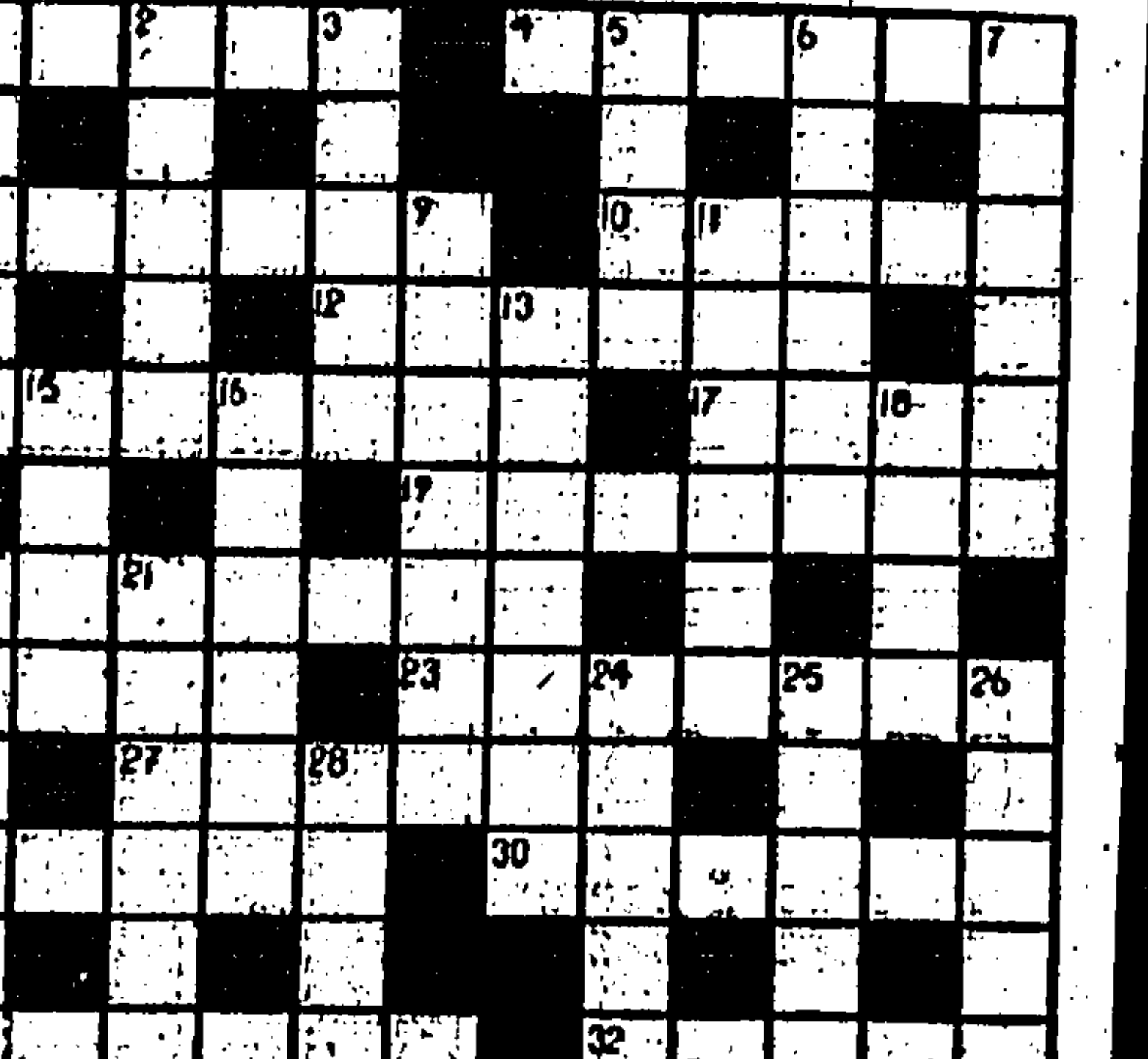
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The Authority on Authority

TWO REAL ADVANTAGES
THERE are some disadvantages connected with an opening bid of a suit which is not topped by high honors, but there are also definitely several real advantages. One of them comes from the fact that the player at the declarer's left may later double the suit, partly because he thinks some honours of his own suit at the left of the declarer's high honors, whereas the suit, if supported is pretty likely to have its highest honours in the dummy. Another stems from the fact that declarers often do not like to lead the originally bid suit feeling that the declarer probably can win the first or second trick in it.

At Table 2 was a player in the South who follows the procedure observed by all of the top ranking players in the land. He considers any four-card suit "containing probable stoppers" if led against a No Trump contract as biddable. Hence the diamond suit qualified with him. Bidding it had the additional advantage of enabling him to bid his clubs next and thereby show that he held two suits of equal length.

The diamond opening scared West into leading his heart 7, so this South took all the tricks.

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Clues Across
1 Punctuation mark
4 Stick
6 Dextroous
10 Crown-up
12 Alo
14 heavily
17 Traff
19 Change course
20 Repairer
22 Jumping
23 Gestic
24 Competitor
27 Killer
30 Victim
31 Peril
32 Begin again
33 Wait
Clues Down
1 Seat
2 Worth
3 Set in line
5 Full
6 Dodges
7 Complete
8 Tournament
9 Ruled
10 Drives forward
11 Ward
12 School
13 Account
14 Book
15 Visitor
16 Feature
17 Participle
18 Late
19 Participle
20 Rival
21 Rich
22 Balm
23 Rural
24 Ozone
25 Range
26 Torse
27 Cries
28 Lacks
29 Sober
30 Anon
31 Staid
32 True
33 Draw

Yesterday's Crossword
Across: 3 Spurious, 8 Inch, 9 Resident, 11 Honoured, 12 Turn, 13 Degmatic, 16 Learning, 19 Lows, 21 Assented, 25 Cabinets, 26 Muse, 27 Serenade.
Down: 1 Rich, 2 Balm, 4 Pear, 5 Ruled, 6 Open, 7 Balm, 9 Rural, 10 Septa, 12 Ozone, 14 Range, 16 Torse, 17 Cries, 19 Lacks, 20 Sober, 21 Anon, 23 Staid, 25 True, 26 Draw.

RIVER GANGES IN FLOOD

Calcutta, August 30.
Floodlights from the crescent moon tonight lit up the Ganges here as the turbulent rain-swollen river tonight as rolled paries in boats and motor launches worked ceaselessly to rescue people stranded on rooftops and cattle carried along by the racing current.

Abir river, run by another foot today only one foot short of the 1948 record—reports said that about 500 villages in the Ganges and Brahmaputra were under water. At least 10,000 people were homeless. Low-lying parts of Calcutta City were also under water.—Reuter.

PROTECTION OF CIVILIANS

Unprecedented Step By Red Cross

Rothschild Villa For Communist

Rome, August 30. Palmiro Togliatti, the Italian Communist leader, who was seriously wounded in an attempt to assassinate him on July 14, has rented a lake-side villa belonging to the Rothschild banking family on the shores of Lake Orta in Northern Italy.

He is continuing convalescence with talks with party leaders. In Rome, Togliatti, who was expelled from the Communist Party was recently announced, last night addressed a gathering of some 30 ex-Communists.

The meeting demanded that the Italian Communist Party should hold a "democratic extraordinary congress." Togliatti claimed that the Italian Communist Party was organizing its policy in an anti-democratic manner and that its compliance with Moscow's orders led to mistakes such as an alliance with bourgeois parties instead of concentrating on the fight against capitalism.—Reuter.

SIAMESE OFFER TO JAPAN

Tokyo, August 30. Japanese sources said today that the Siamese trade mission here has offered to buy 670 rolling stock items valued at about \$2,500,000 for development of the Siamese railway system.

The Siamese are said to want 500 Japanese-made freight cars, 120 passenger cars, 50 locomotives, 15,000 tons of rails and about the same amount of bridge building materials.

A Japanese Board of Trade official indicated that a contract for the rolling stock only is being considered.—United Press.

RADIO

This is Radio Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles per second, and on 952 megacycles per second in the B.K.T.

12.15 p.m.—Morning Program (Studio).
12.30 p.m.—Daily Program Summary.
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1.00 p.m.—Hazel Scott and the Mills Brothers.
1.15 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.
1.25 p.m.—Interlude.
1.30 p.m.—"From the Show."
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.
2.00 p.m.—Programme Summary.
4.00 p.m.—Children's Story, "Bitter-sweet" by Elfrida Clarke (HUTTS).
4.15 p.m.—New Records of Bing Crosby and the Andrews Sisters.
4.30 p.m.—"Wednesday Serenade."
7.00 p.m.—"It's in the Air" Variety Request Programme Presented by Susan Howard (Studio).
8.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).
8.15 p.m.—Music of Debussy.
8.30 p.m.—Paul Temple and the Sullivans Mystery by Francis Durbridge. Episode 6: "A Message from Sir Graham" (HUTTS).
9.00 p.m.—Harmonie "Hotel" by Chamber Music.
9.15 p.m.—New Concert Orchestra.
9.30 p.m.—"Antology" presented by Clifford Davis (Studio).
10.00 p.m.—World and Home News (London Relay).
10.15 p.m.—Portrait of Queen Wilhelmina. A feature programme (London Relay).
10.45 p.m.—Choral Music.
11.00 p.m.—Radio News Reel (London Relay).
11.15 p.m.—Weather Report and "Close Down."

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AMBITIOUS PLANS IN EVENT OF WAR

Stockholm, August 30. The International Red Cross in an unprecedented step today began laying plans for the protection of civilian populations in the event of war.

The final plenary session of the 17th Conference started writing a convention which would give civilians the same protection in war time as military personnel now enjoy.

The convention was considered the most ambitious step in Red Cross history.

It provides that, firstly: Persons shall be protected against any attack on their dignity.

Secondly, the taking of hostages shall be forbidden.

Thirdly, no executions may be carried out unless judgment has been pronounced previously by a regularly constituted court furnished with judicial guarantees and recognised as indispensable by civilised people.

No Torture

Fourthly, all torture shall be strictly forbidden.

Delegates contracted by United Press agreed that the convention was most ambitious and far-reaching. It covers persons who find themselves in the event of conflict or occupation in the hands of a foreign power. It also protects all situations not covered by other international conventions in international conflict.

The convention also insures the transport and distributions of medical supplies and food to wounded and sick civilians and provides protection of civilian hospitals and the evacuation of wounded from besieged areas in war time.

Children under 15 who are separated from their parents shall not be left to their own resources.

The convention also prohibits voluntary transfers or deportations of civilians out of occupied territories and orders the occupying power to insure the civilians' food supply and the maintenance of public health and hygiene in occupied territories.

Atomic Warfare

The entire population of countries in conflict is covered by provisions regardless of race, nationality, religious belief or political viewpoint.

The conference's legal commission recommended, with the support of the international committee and several individual delegations, that a universal diplomatic conference be called as soon as possible to sign all new and revised Red Cross Conventions prepared at the current conference.

The plenary session decided unanimously to send appeals to Governments throughout the world requesting approval of the convention's principles. One resolution—presented by the legal commission and approved by the session for adoption by a diplomatic conference—would pledge all powers against the use of atomic energy for warfare.—United Press.

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Purge Of Czech Sokol

Prague, August 30. An official announcement today reported that the whole presidentium of the Pilsen Sokol has been thrown out of office on the orders of the Central Committee in Prague.

The reason was given in a letter to the presidentium from Prague and to all Sokol districts. The contents were not disclosed.—United Press.

MECHANISED ARMY OF NEGROES

London, August 30. High British military planners have begun talks aimed at creating the nucleus of a mechanised army of East and West African troops, a Government source said today.

If accepted, their plans will lead to the establishment of highly trained and mobile Army groups on the continent's East and West coasts, he declared.

He added that both groups would be capable of speedy expansion in time of war. Nearly 500,000 African troops fought for Britain during the last world war.

The talks were initiated soon after Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, visited Africa some months ago. Included in the discussions are the War and Colonial Offices and the Governments of such colonial territories as Uganda, Nyasaland, Kenya, Northern Rhodesia, East and Central Africa, Nigeria, the Gold Coast, Sierra Leone and

SOCIAL CALL

Oxford, August 30. Mr. Eric Johnston, head of the Motion Picture Association of America, spent today in Oxford with the President of the British Board of Trade, Mr. Harold Wilson.

"A purely social occasion," was Mr. Wilson's description of the meeting.—Reuter.

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SPY TRIAL

ALLEGED LINK-UP WITH LONDON

Budapest, August 30. Eighty-four Hungarians were today charged with conspiracy to overthrow the present regime in Hungary.

One of the accused, a journalist named Elemer Kiss, is charged with having been in contact with Janos Lederer, said to have been a contributor to the London Observer and at one time an employee of Lord Rothermere, Proprietor of the London Daily Mail.

The men, mostly former state officials, were arrested several weeks ago.

Among the chief accused is a former Hungarian representative on the Food and Agricultural Organization of the United Nations, Arthur Shibanaka-Palcsik, who faces charges of conspiracy. The others include Ferenc Kiss, brother of Elemer, whose arrest on the Hungarian frontier led to the apprehension of many of the others.

Of the 84, 42 are charged with various "anti-democratic crimes," of which the most serious is conspiracy to overthrow the Government.

The others face lesser charges of large-scale corruption, fraud and abuses of authority. Most of the accused were employees of high officials of the Ministry of Agriculture.—Reuter.

U.S. DRAFT

Washington, August 30. All 25-year-old men born in 1922 after August 30 are to register for America's peace time draft today.—Associated Press.

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STATE OF THE UNION

The expression "Master Race" has ominous associations. It recalls the evil and ill-starred foundations on which Hitler built his Reich. Today, in a country which is a member of the British Commonwealth, such principles are again in the ascendant. Such is the only conclusion to be drawn from recent news from South Africa.

South Africa, like the United States, is one of the "new" countries—a land mass colonised and developed by Europeans. Although the exploitation of the soil and the mineral resources falls far short of that attained in the United States, there is much in common between the two countries. They are on the same path of development; and to some extent they have the same problems. The early British colonists imported Negro slave labour, shipped under brutal conditions from Africa, to work their plantations in Virginia. The American slaves have long been freed; but the social problem remains. In South Africa too, a similar social problem exists.

It will surely be aggravated by the present policy of the Malan Government. "Apartheid" means segregation—but it really means white supremacy at all costs. It was on this ticket that Malan made his chief appeal to the electors. The position of the Europeans in the Union is hard enough. But whereas Smuts believed that white could work with black, Malan and his Nationalist supporters believe that black must work for white. Smuts took some steps towards improving the social lot of the 8,000,000 natives: these have been reversed.

Moreover, South Africa has not got one racial problem: she has two. Into the Union, as into Malaya and Burma, the abundant population of India has spilled over. There are between 250,000 and 300,000 Indians, of whom a third live in Durban. Materially they are well off; but politically they are pariahs. Malan has now decided to abolish the right of Indians to vote for and sit in the Union Parliament and the Natal Provincial Council. This takes away the sop Smuts promised the Indians when they were forbidden to purchase land in certain districts: but it is all part of Malan's segregation policy, of which the logical conclusion is that the Indians should be sent back to India.

If, however, Malan wants white supremacy, he is going a very odd way about it. For he has recently abolished the schemes started by General Smuts to encourage British immigration into the Union. So, while his Government is doing its best to exacerbate native and Indian feeling, the white population is receiving no recruitment. Of course, he may want other supplies of fresh blood—from Germany, for example. We do not know. We accept that Malan hates the British, but he also hates Communism. And by native repression he is doing his best to encourage the growth of that force.

Tokyo, August 30. A contract to export 4,000 tons of galvanized iron sheets from Japan to the Philippines, worth approximately US\$10,000, has been concluded between Japanese trade concerns and the Japanese Government's Board of Trade, it was learned. Delivery is scheduled to begin next month.—Reuter.

DON IDDON'S DIARY

Feeling Against Russia Ru is Fever High

This is a city accustomed to violence. It does not tremble when the cement-encased corpse of a hoodlum is tossed into the East River. It remains unperturbed when a gangster is mown down in the telephone booth of a drug store by bullets from a sawn-off shotgun.

Its police always carry revolvers and occasionally use them. Yet for the past few days the city has throbbed with anger and fear. The people have talked in indignation and apprehension.

Headline Jump

Reason for this wave of insecurity and horror is the desecration of a little Red schoolmistress from the third-floor window of the big Russian Consulate in the heart of Manhattan. When Mrs. Oksana Kosenkina chose freedom by jumping from her prison she dramatised the issue between the U.S. and the U.S.S.R. She spotlighted the brutalities of the Soviet system.

It was said Mrs. Kosenkina and another Russian schoolteacher, Mikhail Samarin, were too terrified to return to Russia, that they knew too much and that the Soviet Consular officials here were determined to get them out of the U.S.

Today the Red schoolmistress is an international figure and the battle over her custody an international incident. It is the most sensational story to appear in American newspapers for years and has shocked and alarmed the American people more than the suicide of Masaryk or the seizure of Berlin. It happened on New York's pavements, on the city's doorstep, and it has horrified the public. I am not exaggerating. This single incident has worsened Russo-American relations more than all the defiance of Molotov and Vishinsky and the long wrangle over Berlin.

The feeling against Russia is fever-high, and there is utter and complete conviction that the Russians are conspiring day and night with spies and agents and stooges here to wreck and ruin the U.S.

Today in this country there is as much fear and hatred of Russia as there was of Germany in the middle of the war. The Soviet is loathed.

Wrong Again

The Presidential election campaign is directly affected by the case of Mrs. Kosenkina. President Truman once again finds himself bucking public opinion.

Twice he has described the inquiry into espionage as a red herring to be laughed off. But the melodrama in New York has apparently made a monkey of his opinions, and gleeful Republicans are cynicising themselves as champions of the anti-Communist movement and branding Truman as a blind man and a boob.

In all of this British has been scarcely mentioned. My American friends have asked me about British reaction to the Soviet spy sensation, but I have said that we are preoccupied with food, clothing, and shelter, the fundamentals of keeping alive.

Meatless Week

Some housewives here are similarly engaged. After an exciting two hours' reading about spies, they still have their own and their husbands' dinner to think about.

This week there has been a full-scale boycott against the purchase of meat. Women have picketed butchers' shops, pushing baby carriages carrying banners clamouring that prices be cut. Nearly 200,000 New York women have agreed not to buy meat for at least one week.

There have been protests also against the general rise in the cost of living. Many people have scraped plans for holidays simply because they cannot afford them, and hotel managers, in hundreds of resorts complain of the worst season since the war.

Film Black-out

Just when I thought the anti-British campaign whipped up by the Zionists here had collapsed came the news that the boycott of British films is growing.

A careful survey has been made by staff members of Variety magazine, and their findings will either grieve or infuriate you—or both.

It has been established that the boycott is having deadly effect. British revenue has been slashed just when prospects were good and were netting \$5,000 dollars weekly.

Several British films have been withdrawn from American screens—notably Sir Alexander Korda's "An Ideal Husband" and "Nine Own Executioner" and Herbert Wilcox's "Piccadilly Incident".

The huge chain of cinemas known as Loew's, which has a tie-up with M-G-M, has not run a British film for months. Other

cinema circuits are cold-shouldering our product.

A ticket line organised by a fanatical outfit called the Sons of Liberty are thrown around these films where British films are scheduled for showing, and there is an ambitious plan to wreck the opening of Arthur Rank's and William Shakespeare's "Hamlet".

The Sons of Liberty say they are not connected with any Zionist organisation, but will continue their boycott activities "until the British cease all their instigation of the Arabs in Palestine".

The campaign against our films is not limited to New York. There are boycott movements in Chicago, Detroit, and San Francisco as well. The aim of the Sons of Liberty is to drive British pictures out of American business.

Daughters Too

I think if this vicious boycott continues it is a matter for Foreign Office and State Department conferences—followed by action.

Most of the parading members of the Sons of Liberty are youths and girls. Some of them carry copies of the Daily Worker. They are the familiar adolescent dupes you see in most big cities. But we cannot laugh them away. They are losing us good money and good will.

There is a batch of big film names in New York just now.

WILHELMINA CHEERED BY HUGE CROWDS

Amsterdam, August 30. Silver-haired Queen Wilhelmina, ruler of the Dutch Empire for 50 years, entered her capital this afternoon to the cheers of more than half a million subjects.

She drove through flower-strewn streets in a Buick limousine to her Palace, where later this week she will sign papers of abdication.

Her daughter, Princess Juliana, automatically succeeded her.

Through tear-dimmed eyes, the popular sovereign waved at the vast throngs who packed every square inch of the five kilometre route from the railway station to pay homage to their monarch.

Queen Wilhelmina reached the flag-bedecked railway station on the outskirts of Amsterdam at 3.02 p.m. after an hour-long trip from The Hague aboard a four-coach royal train.

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NO CONNECTION WITH UN

Shanghai, August 31. The magazine "United Nations World", which recently carried an article predicting the fall of the Chinese Government, is a private publication and has nothing to do with the United Nations, Dr. P. Chu I-tung, Director of the United Nations Information Centre in Shanghai, said in a statement last night.

Dr. Chu's statement was prompted by a despatch from Lake Success quoting the "United Nations World" as stating that a "revolt is expected by the Double Tenth".

The article was reported to have cited many rumours, most of which originated in Hongkong, and stated that leftist politicians there are in league with the Communists.—Reuter.

Clark Gable, Spencer Tracy, and Charles Boyer all arrived together from Europe.

Gable has rushed on to Hollywood, cutting short his holiday as a result of his father's sudden death. Gable son, always refused financial help from his son, and even turned down present offers.

London's Old Vic Theatre company is due in New York in January, which makes everyone happy. Sir Cedric Hardwicke and Dame Edith Evans will head the company. The players had a triumphant six weeks' stay on Broadway two years ago.

The Fan Pair

Britain's George Sanders and Madeleine Carroll are paired together for the first time in 12 years in "The Fan". Last picture they made together was "Lloyd's of London".

Bob Hope is looking around for new gag writers. He has just fired six. Following my item in last week's diary, Billy Rose offered to take over the New York Metropolitan Opera and make it pay. No decision yet.

Lauritz Melchior plans his own opera company if the Metropolitan fails to open.

Footnote—The Russian spy ring, thought to be a red herring, now looks more like a Real octopus.

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THE OLYMPIC GAMES

FASTER, HIGHER, STRONGER

After a crash in the Olympic cycling two foreign competitors were down. One of them was laid out cold. The other had enough breath to shout: "Assassin! Assassin!"

That is not quite the Olympic spirit; it does not fit the symbolism of the Flame of pure sport, now extinguished after a memorable fortnight.

The Games of the 14th Olympiad are over. The youth of the world—and some of the middle-aged—have striven on field and track, in flood, in sail-boats and skiffs, on horseback and on cycles, with sword and javelin and rifle, for the thing called Renown.

When the horsemen took their mounts over the jumps of the Prix des Nations at Wembley on the last day, three flags were hoisted—the Greek, the British, and the Finnish (for the next Games are in Helsinki in 1952).

Then the Flame, brought from Greece, was doused and the Banner of the Five Rings lowered, and the choir sang Sir Alan Herbert's words, "Let Us Be Glad" to the tune of the "London Derby Air".

And there is no reason why we should not be glad, because the Games have been a great success.

The Good Hosts. Britain has risen from her austerity and proved that we have the will. If not the rations, to fight and swim, row and run.

Sigrid Edstrom, has said, we were good hosts.

At that magnificent opening spectacle it was the duty of Don Finlay, our veteran hurdler, to take the Oath for all competitors "desirous of participating in them in the true spirit of sportsmanship," perhaps it sounded better in the original French, but it is poor English. It could have been simplified to: "we swear to run true and fight fair."

There was little ill-feeling except after some of the boxing events. The fighters, with one or two notable exceptions, accepted the decision, good or bad, with a shrug and a smile.

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with our valiant high-jumper Dorothy Tyler, that the bearing of children does not prevent a woman from beating the world.

Britain's deas were not untimely. We were two rowing events; we were in the final of the hockey the semi-final of the football, two finals of the boxing. We had two runners in the final of the two sprint races. We were second in the marathon, third in the 10,000 metres, and won a yachting class, and were runners-up in two cycling events and in bantam-weight weight-lifting.

Of all the events in water and on land I suppose that we shall remember two things for as long as our memory holds, that beautiful judged, long-striding win by brown ex-pilot Arthur Wint in the 400 metres, and that incredible heart-bursting finish of the good Czech soldier Zatopek in the 5,000 metres.

But The Grass. The games were a success. And no one is more pleased than Sir Arthur Elvin, monarch of Wembley, who financed them. Thanks to the weather and the press and our staff," he says, "we're all right."

For the victor and for the defeated, those who have broken their hearts and, sometimes, their heads in the great endeavour of the Games, there is an epitaph by A. E. Housman:

"And early though the laurel grows
It withers quicker than the rose."

Laurel wreaths are out of fashion; silver-gilt medals will tarnish, but the youth of 1948 have met and sent a glow around the world.

Till-Piece. Though full Olympic attendance-figures and takings will not be released for several weeks, the attendances topped the million mark and the amount paid for seats is estimated to be nearly £500,000; 420,000 programmes have been sold at 1s. each, yielding £220,000.

But the balance-sheet of the Olympic organisers is not expected to show a large "bonus" for British amateur athletes. Heavy expenses increased the original estimated of £400,000 to £450,000.

The organisers are silent on the exact details. "They will not be released until the whole situation is known and everything has been accounted for," it was stated yesterday.

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NINTH CRISIS MEETING

More Talks To Come At The Kremlin

Vyshinsky Again Present: No Communique Issued

Moscow, August 30.
The envoys of the three Western powers spent two hours and 10 minutes in the Kremlin this afternoon at their ninth crisis meeting with the Soviet Foreign Minister, M. Vyacheslav Molotov.

AUSSIE GIFT TO BRITAIN

Canberra, August 30.
The Australian Government will include in its budget proposals a gift of £10,000,000 to Britain to help her maintain purchases from the Sterling area, Prime Minister Joseph Chifley announced here today.
Many European participants of the Marshall Aid were almost as short of Sterling as they were of dollars, Mr. Chifley said.
"It has become urgently necessary to find a means of financing their sterling deficits," he said.
Britain was also engaged in discussions in this connection with representatives of Marshall Aid countries and the United States, the Premier added.
An increase in Australian funds in London and last year's favourable balance of payments, combined with the support Britain had given to other European nations, influenced the Government to make their decision, Mr. Chifley said.
"Australia stands to benefit from any measure which assists the external buying power of European countries because of the important markets we have there," he added.—Reuter.

DIRECT HITS ON WALLACE

Burlington, North Carolina, August 30.
Mr. Henry Wallace, the Progressive Party's Presidential candidate, was hit by eggs and tomatoes as he tried to speak in Burlington's main street today.
Mr. Wallace, standing before a crowd of about 2,500, had just said, "I would like to take this opportunity," when a shower of eggs and tomatoes fell around him and there were loud boos from the crowd.
Surrounded by police, Mr. Wallace stepped into his waiting car, in which were two Negro women, and drove away.
Another shower of eggs and tomatoes greeted Mr. Wallace upon his arrival at Greensboro, North Carolina, from Burlington.
As the Presidential candidate stepped from his egg-splattered car, a jeering crowd hurled missiles at him.
Mr. Wallace tried to speak, but every time he opened his mouth, the crowd drowned him out. Amid cries from the crowd, which police estimated at 1,000, could be heard, "Go back to Russia, Henry."—Associated Press.

RENOUNCED HIS CITIZENSHIP

Paris, August 30.
Arthur W. Taylor, a negro believed to be from Pennsylvania, visited the United States Embassy here and renounced his American citizenship, an Embassy spokesman disclosed today.
The spokesman said Taylor then took the oath renouncing his citizenship, handed in his passport, walked out of the Embassy, and had not been seen since.
The French police said they had no knowledge of his whereabouts.—United Press.

LOOT IN JAPAN

Tokyo, August 30.
Allied Headquarters today ordered the Japanese Government to restore to the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, China and France quantities of tin, latex, gutta-percha, gum, copal, copper, ingots, lead, flint, alumina, shale and crude rubber which were established as pre-war property holdings.—United Press.

General Walter Bedell Smith, the United States Ambassador, said when they came out that the expected interim communique on the secret month-old talks would not be issued tonight.
Asked if there would be further meetings at the Kremlin, he said: "I think so."

M. Andrei Vyshinsky, the Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, was again present at today's conference, which began at 5.00 p.m. Moscow time (2.00 p.m. GMT). His first accompaniment M. Molotov to the eighth meeting on Friday.
From the Kremlin, general Bedell Smith, Mr. Frank Roberts, the British envoy, and M. Yves Chataignier, the French Ambassador, returned separately to their Embassies.
It was assumed that they were writing short separate despatches to their respective Governments. Afterwards, the three Western diplomats reassembled at the American Embassy for their usual post-Kremlin "working meeting," at which they would prepare their joint report for immediate transmission to London, Washington and Paris.

General Success

The envoys drove to the Kremlin after a short conference among themselves at the French Embassy. Marshal Stalin was present at two of the meetings in the series, the second and seventh.
The aim of the talks is to find a basis for four-power agreement on the Berlin crisis and Germany as a whole.
Tonight's talks at the Kremlin were generally successful, it was believed in well informed circles in London.
The first reports of the meeting from Mr. Robert, it was considered in London, suggest that the absence of a four-power communique was not necessarily a bad sign and did not indicate a breakdown or even delay in the negotiations for a settlement.
The renewed delay in issuing the expected interim Moscow communique is interpreted in London as meaning that the Soviet Foreign Minister today produced amendments—either to the draft communique or to the draft directive to the four Military Commanders in Berlin—with the Western envoys felt obliged to refer to their governments.

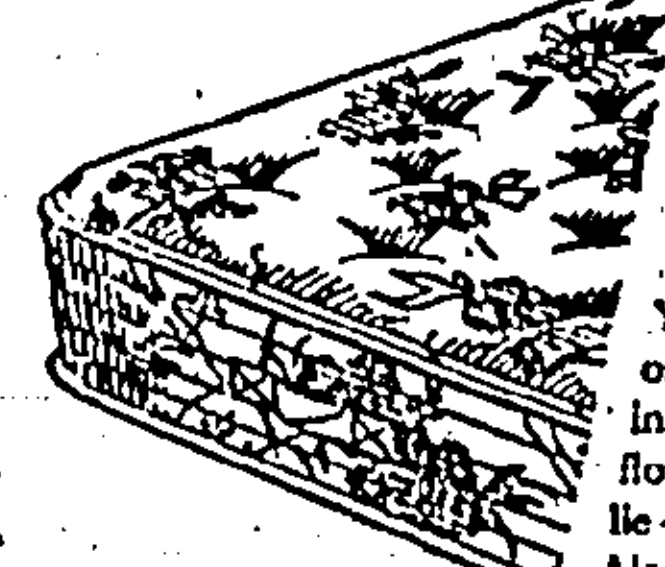
Raising The Blockade

The position after last Friday's meeting, it was reliably believed, was that an agreement in principle had been reached to instruct the military Commanders in Berlin to work out technical plans without delay for raising the blockade and for the issue, under joint four-power authority, of the Soviet "mark" as the sole currency for Berlin.
It is known that many Western power amendments were tabled at Friday's meeting, and it is assumed that M. Molotov's counter-amendments provided the main topic of discussion today.—Reuter.

ACHILLES IN NEW GUISE

Valetta, August 30.
The Indian Cruiser Delhi, formerly the British Achilles, which won fame in the Battle of the River Plate, sailed for Aden today on her way back to Bombay after a month here on a working-up exercise.—Reuter.

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Letter To The Editor

Prague, August 30.
The Editor of trade union paper Prague announced in the current issue that he had received a letter asking him to choose the lamp post in Wenceslas Square from which he would like to be hanged.
He said he also received a pamphlet calling on workers to sabotage factories and form a resistance group.
Another warned farmers not to be afraid of the Communists and to refuse to deliver their harvest.—Reuter.

RUSSIA AND MALAYA

'NO MORE RUBBER' SUGGESTION

Glasgow, August 30.
The Glasgow Herald today published the proposal of an unnamed economist that Malayan rubber be denied to the Soviet Union until Russia has called off the "dogs of war" in the peninsula.

In an article in its "London correspondence" the paper wrote: "Could it not be possible to say firmly to the gentlemen of the Politburo: No more rubber until you call off your dogs of war in the peninsula."

"It is certainly a neat idea, with all the attraction of punishment fitting, or at least closely connected with, the crime. But it raises more questions than it solves—problems which are interesting to others than economists."

"One of these is: If Malaya is our best dollar earner, should not every possible pound of rubber go to dollar countries? Can we, in our present indigent state, regard some extra wheat—not necessarily of the best quality—as a good substitute for dollars? Does this exchange do anything to bridge the gap between exports and imports?"

Rearming Russia

"Further, since it is no secret that rubber imports by the Soviet Union are for military purposes and nothing else, it may be asked if we should accept the responsibility of rearming Russia."

"It is true that jet engines have been sent to Russia, and the sending of both engines and rubber is Government policy. This raises another final question."

RIOTING IN INDIA

Bombay, August 30.
The Bombay Government reported tonight that armed police were patrolling Shri-Varadhan, about 80 miles South of Bombay, after rioting in which 54 people were injured.

The town was under a curfew and the assembly of more than five people was prohibited, the Government said.

Twenty-four people have been arrested, the Government said. The trouble occurred on Saturday (Hindu religious Gokul Ashtami Day) when rioters used stones, brick-bats, spears and guns and set fire to shops and houses. The police fired on the crowd, the Government said.—Reuter.

BRITISH OPPOSITION TO FEDERATION

London, August 30.
Groups within the Labour Party were blamed generally today for the cold attitude taken by the Government toward proposals for a European Federal Assembly.

The official United States challenge of the lukewarm British official attitude stirred up a hornets' nest of controversy which is certain to blossom into a bitter and full debate.

The Government has been under mild attack for some time by certain segments of the British press as well as by certain American officials for failure to take radical and drastic action to promote European political unity.

British officials, who are convinced that the Marshall plan must be made to work, are fearful that the continued British coldness to the bold steps may be serious consequences when the United States Congress considers new appropriations. The major congressional question then will be: "What has Europe done?"

Some Britons fear that Congress will remember the cold shoulder the British Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee, and the Foreign Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, turned to the official French proposal to call a conference to create a European Assembly.

Dalton Group
The American State Department, urging steps "which before the war would have seemed beyond the range of practical politics," hails them.
The major blame is placed upon the group within the Labour Party which opposes the European Federation idea because the Tory leader, Mr. Winston Churchill, is considered its architect, and which believes that the British Labour Party should promote unity only between European countries having Socialist Governments.

MYSTERY SHIP PUTS TO SEA

Marseilles, August 30.
The 1,900-ton freighter *Mal* flying the Panama flag has left Marseilles secretly and will probably be struck off the lists of ships in Panama's Merchant Navy.

Mr. Jose Bousso, spokesman in the Panamanian consulate in Marseilles, revealed this today following reports that the ship is bound for Haiti with arms.
Mr. Bousso said he had informed the United States Consul in Jerusalem of the *Mal*'s departure from Marseilles "in order to protect the Panamanian Government against the irregularities observed."

He added that the *Mal*, which arrived in Marseilles just over a month ago, carried no document from the Consulate and was flying the Panamanian flag illegally. "It struck us as strange that a ship of 1,900 tons had only declared a cargo of 20 tons," he said.—Associated Press.

RUSSIAN CROPS

London, August 30.
Radio Moscow reported today that three-quarters of the entire Russian grain crop had been harvested and a large amount of it threshed.

More than one-third of the winter crops area throughout the country have been sown already, the broadcast said, and many collective farms have begun to bring in sugar and best crops and cotton.—United Press

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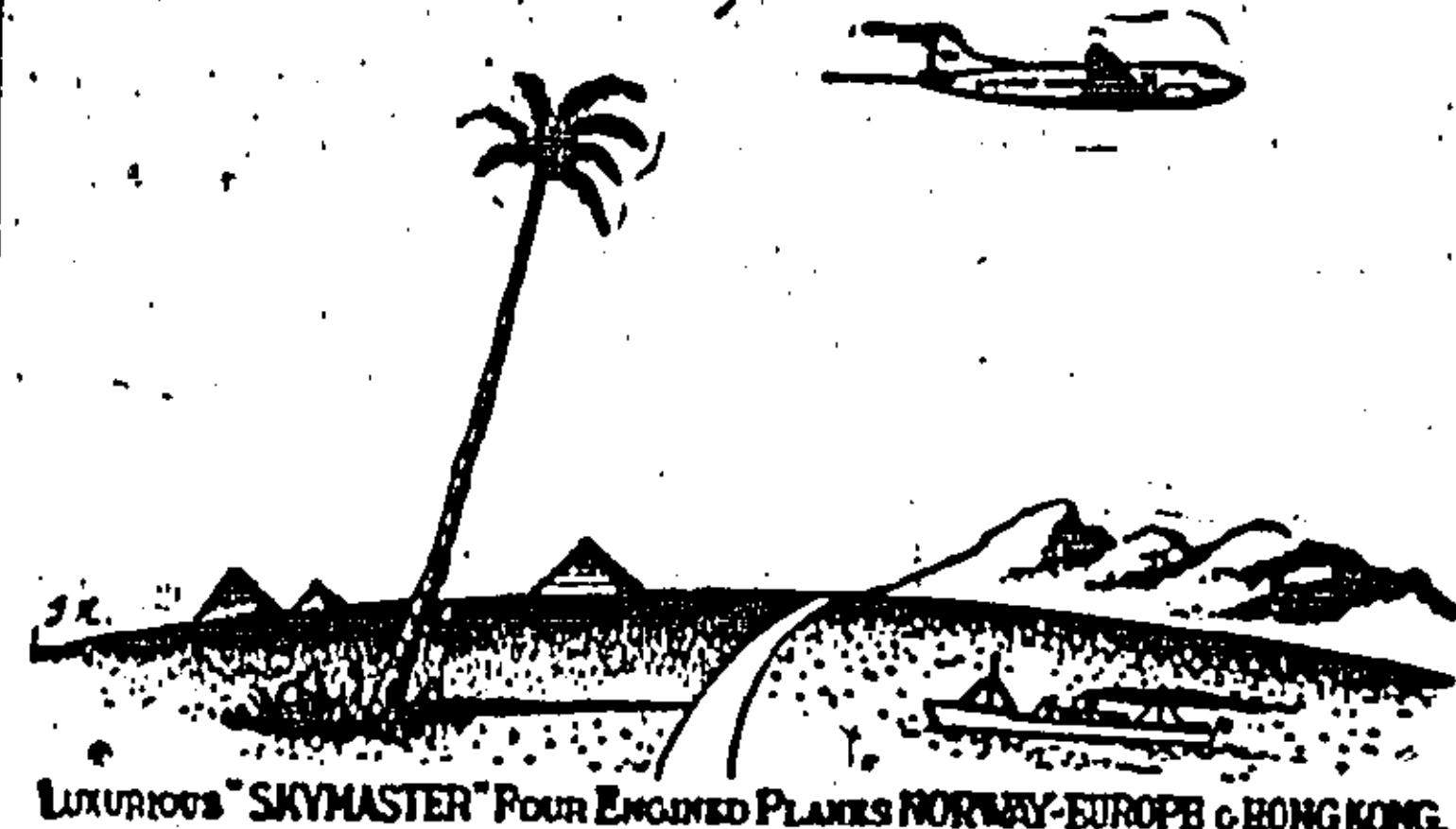
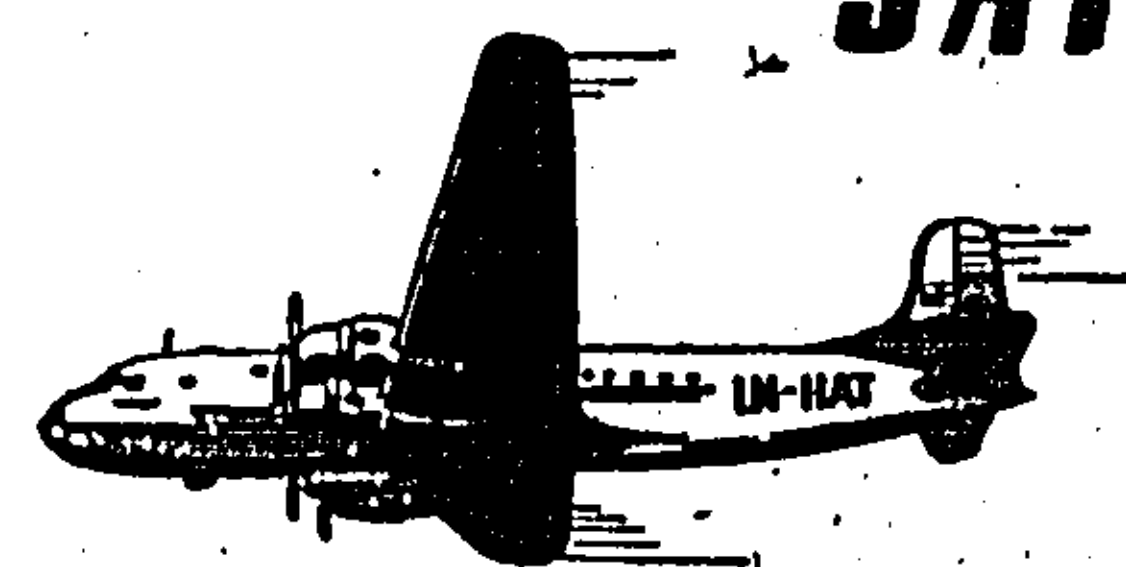
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Woman Today

Clothes Back In The Traces

Relax, now, and settle back. Autumn collections shown in the 28 houses comprising the New York Dress Institute give ample evidence that for the time being, at least, nobody is going off the deep end in fashion.

Clothes are back in the traces, content with having kicked them over last year and run away with the bit in their teeth.

If any hint of straying from the established mode lifts its head at the moment, it is the pointed trend towards the long slim line harking back to the Empire period.

This finds expression in a number of different collections, and in both coats and dresses. It announces a return to the high waistline, often princess in design, the narrow skirt, narrow shoulders, bell-shaped waists, and the high collar—all of which accent the long look.

It also plays down and banishes the prominence of hips, which are gradually receding as a fashion accent, and plays up the importance of back fullness in skirts, which is considered highly fashionable.

Back fullness is subtly introduced, often with a deep godet or by "ruffled" folds, and by pleats. In the Empire styles, it often falls in a straight line between the shoulder blades from a high yoke, and is very much controlled, particularly in coats. Sleeves are important because of the way they are set. This line often accounts for the only ornamentation in a costume.

Necklines are generally high, giving a muffled effect. Ascots, holding up high pointed collars, are used, also "frivolities" made of taffeta in highly-keyed colours which wrap the neck with a snug, smart air and do well by wearers who have long necks, let me add.

These show the trend toward the high collar. At the other extreme you will find necklines wide open and accented by striking fichus or duchess collars which set off the face like a frame.

Not all collars stand high. Collars bright with the blaze of rhinestones embroidered on white or pastel satin or velvet key back

damask or satin theater suits to the mood of pleasurable excitement such occasions demand. Featured in many of the collections as an important item in the dress.

This accents a snug bodice with inward pointing triangles inset at the waist to give a slim line, and at the same time stress the back fullness of the skirt. It is buttoned to the waist in front from a high round neck and is finished by a small round collar.

A designer who predicts the return of both the turtleneck and the redingote is Triguere. One designs a redingote of black striped satin with an Empire collar and a flared skirt and uses it over a black crepe dress. Suits begin with daytime and go on, increasing in richness and attractiveness, into the small hours.

Practical features come to light with such ideas as the wide-belted "washbuckler" suit, ready for double duty. The suit has a

jacket with fluid back fullness achieved by rear box pleats which may be worn either belted or loose.

This is worn over a one-piece wool dress of a bright colour, also over a skirt of a different material.

In theater suits, the feeling is for fine tapestry Jacquard damasks, black stiff satins, as where an off-shoulder ankle-length dinner dress will have its stiff little satin jacket; or black velvet where one sees a snug little Victorian jacket coming to the fore for restaurant and even formal evening wear.

Black velvet piping, black intricately wrought braid, also in the Victorian manner, a touch of glittering jet on navy suits, and satin waistcoats give suits new meaning and new interest. So does the dress with the smart, snug-fitting little waistline jacket, many of which are shown.

Everything tends to the covered-up look this season, in contrast to the bare look of last year. Skirts and their varying lengths no longer constitute the fashion world's conversation pieces.

They are pretty well stabilised at 11 to 12 inches from the floor for daytime, 10 inches to eight inches for after five and informal dinner dresses. Several collections show only ankle-length evening dresses.

If the winter turns out a cold one, fanciful little "Blue Boy" breeches made of wool jersey, or in some cases of striped damask, match the suit blouse, and fastened at the knee with jet buttons, may turn out to be the most practical of fashions!

Macaroons And Frostings

A recipe for a tasty new product comes from the University of California College of Agriculture. It has been worked out by food technologists, of course, but does not require a college degree to make a reasonable facsimile thereof.

The new product appears to be an easy-made mix to make mixing and other things easier. It is a free-running powder, 64 per cent sugar and 36 per cent nut meats.

Directions for making the concoction are set forth as follows: Shelled almonds are peeled by soaking them in hot water until the skins loosen. Grind the almonds medium fine in a kitchen-size food grinder. Then mix 12 ounces of ground almonds with 7½ ounces of powdered sugar. Regrind this mixture through the food chopper using the nut-butter attachment.

Now add 14 ounces more of powdered sugar, mix well, and regrind again.

For making macaroons, according to the recipe, beat one egg white until stiff, add it to 5 ounces of the powder with a few drops of almond extract. Stir well, and bake at 350°-375° F.

Just mix the powder with whole milk for a rich milk shake, they say. Or add a little honey or table syrup to a cupful of powder, mix well, and use to make fondant-type candy.

Frostings and cake fillings evolve from mixing the powder with whipped egg white or syrup, plus a little water if needed. It is also recommended for use in marshmallow and divinity fudge recipes.

Instead of serving beet-root just as an addition to salad, try it hot with white sauce. You will find it a welcome change in the vegetable line.

The waiter had suggested several times that the diner try the soup. Impatiently the customer countered with, "Is it obligatory?"

"No, indeed, sir—it's mulligan-tawny!"

Weedenook had successfully countered the aggressive roofing salesman's arguments that the Weedenook roof needed renovating. "Why?" continued the salesman, "even a fox could see through that roof."

"Not so," rebuked friend Weedenook; "even Niagara couldn't penetrate the heavy masonry on this house."

"Did you enjoy the meal?" asked the hostess of the little guest.

"No, ma'am, I chewed every thing slowly, like my mother told me to."

Husband: "My dear, the seeds ordered won't flower until the second summer."

Wife: "Oh, that's all right, I ordered them from last year's catalogue."—Wall Street Journal.

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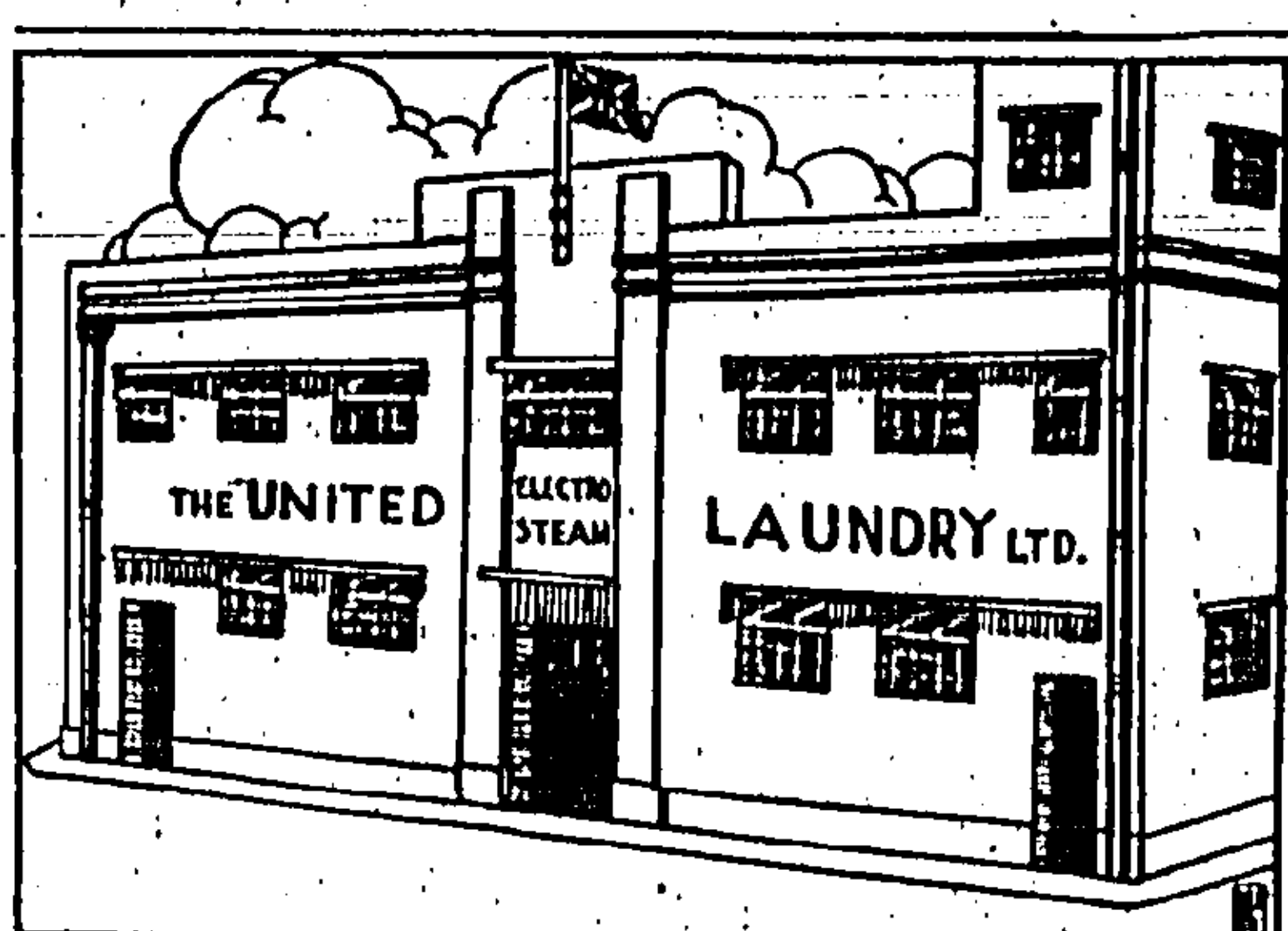
It might have been easier to use the leaves for a coffee table and eat off the dining-room table, but it wouldn't have been a magazine piece. They'd received a cot for a wedding present.

This young couple didn't have any suggestions on how to use old cow bells, discarded nail kegs, or coddled egg cups. They did, however, dye some old sheets for use as drapes.

The other day a newspaper asked readers for suggestions on what to do with six old tennis rackets. Answers rained in, such as making a "clay" leaf design to frame pictures.

Nobody even suggested restringing them for tennis. All this is fine, but what about the second-hand industry? People are afraid to throw anything away. Now, even old tin cans can be used to grow strawberries in.—Associated Press

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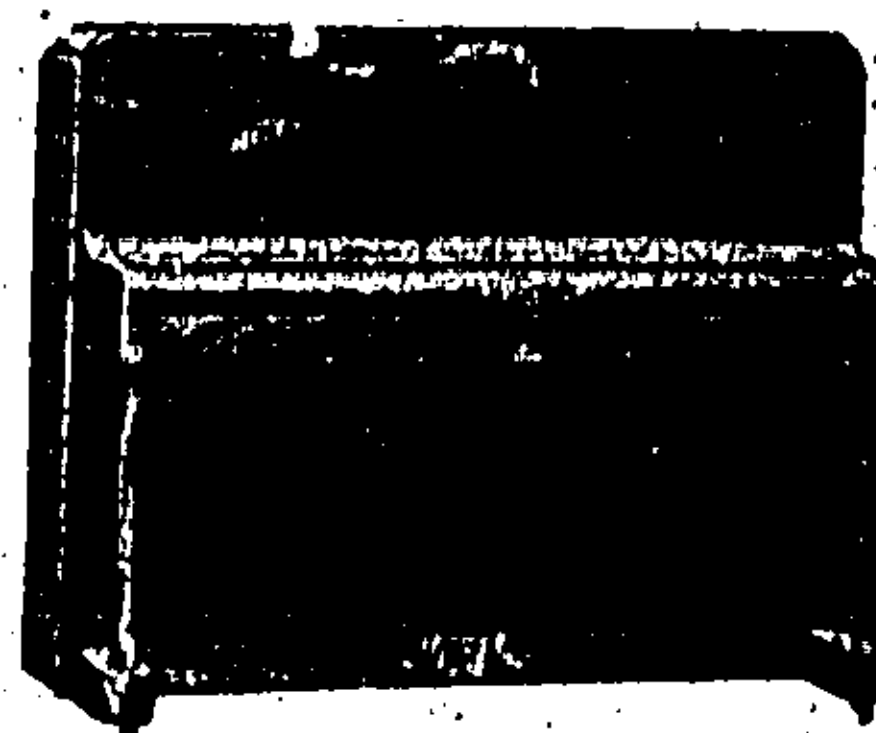
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Royal Cake

5oz. sugar, 6oz. shortening, 4oz. plain flour, 4oz. rice flour, 1 level teaspoon baking powder, 3 eggs, 3 tablespoons sherry, ½ teaspoon vanilla, ½ teaspoon cinnamon, 1 mock cream, chopped walnuts.
Cream the shortening and sugar. Separate the whites from the yolks of eggs. Add the yolks to the creamed mixture and beat well. Add the sherry and vanilla. Sift together the flour, rice flour, baking powder and cinnamon, and add to the creamed mixture. Lastly, fold in the stiffly-beaten egg whites. Pour into two well-greased 8-inch sandwich tins and bake in a moderate oven, temp. 375 deg. F. for 45 min. F. electric, for 10 minutes, then reduce the heat to temp. 350 deg. F. gas, 400 deg. F. electric, and cook a further 20 to 30 minutes. Turn out to cake cooler and allow to cool. Mix 2 tablespoons of chopped nuts with some of the mock cream and spread between the cakes. Spread remainder of cream over the top of the cake and sprinkle with chopped nuts.

An Amusing Game: The Re-Modeller

Once upon a time there lived a very eccentric housewife. She used her frying pan to fry in. She used her carpet sweeper to clean with. She went to the retail store and bought new furniture to furnish her house with.

If you can believe it, this housewife never painted her skillet apple green and used it for a silent butler. She never

disemboweled her carpet-sweeper, hung it on the wall and grew grape ivy in it. She never haunted storage warehouses looking for an old kitchen table, which was really, under the paint, Chinese Chippendale.

But this housewife lived a long time ago.

Nowadays an American housewife can't look at a simple thing like a wheelbarrow or an empty medicine bottle without figuring some way she can turn one or both into homemade objets d'art.

Ann Temple

It Has To Be "We"

I know he is weak and easily influenced, but I am strong myself, I think I can make marriage with him a success if I look after him.

I'm the only one who does think so. Relatives and friends are against it. Isn't this a matter for my own judgment only?—NETTIE.

If you can judge impartially, there could easily be a touch of wishful judging or a blind spot set up by other people's opposition. Criticism, spoken or unspoken, in these matters acts that way on some natures. I am dubious about this because you use the singular pronoun: "I can make a success of it." It has to be "we." As one of my readers puts it, writing from her own experience: "It doesn't work having one trailing after the other, one

adult looking after a very trying though quite nice child." So many who have written to me on this problem have found that though they could put up with weakness in the man as a husband they found that weakness in him as the father of their children brought endless trouble. When you are in love you naturally think you can succeed where others have failed. Love gives that confidence. But don't fling off objections without examining them. Your confidence will carry you doubly far if it is not blind confidence.

Berlin City Council Again Defies Communists

Berlin, August 30.

The senior committee of the Berlin City Council again defied the Communists today and named a five man delegation to represent Berlin at the convention to draft a charter for a West German government.

The Committee decided to postpone the regular Council meeting on Tuesday until a communique is issued on the four power talks in Moscow, and until the Russians promise the Council police protection against Communist-led rioters.

Communist members of the Committee walked out when the matter arose of naming a delegation to the sessions at Bonn on Wednesday for the purpose of writing a constitution for the American, British and French occupied zones.

This is the Communists' one more expressed determination to prevent any close ties between Berlin and Western Germany. To them Berlin is a part of the Soviet occupation zone.

In Frankfurt, the British and American Military Governors were quoted as saying the Moscow talks would have no influence upon the Western powers' plan to set up a separate Government in Western Germany.

Wilhelm Kalsen, President of the Bremen Senate, said this view was advanced to a meeting of German Ministers, President of the British and American zones in Frankfurt by both General Lucius D. Clay and General Sir Brian Robertson, the American and British military Governors.

Bonn Council

The French, British and American zones are to be integrated politically at Bonn on

Wednesday when a Parliamentary Council will meet to draw up a German constitution. The Council is expected to avoid any limiting term as "Western" and reach agreement on a charter that could serve for all Germany. Thus the door would be left open for representation to Germany in the Soviet occupation zone.

The conference of the British and American Military Governors with the German leaders in Frankfurt amounted to a "go ahead" signal for the Bonn meeting, despite the opposition of the Russians to the creation of a separate West German state.

Dr. Ferdinand Friedensburg, Acting Mayor of Berlin, told a press conference today he would in future prevent demonstrations in front of the City Hall, the German news agency, Deni, reported.

When asked how he would stop demonstrations he said: "We have 180,000 employees at our disposal."

Trains Ready

Apparently assuming that the lifting of the Russian blockade of Berlin is imminent, the German news agency, Deni, tonight reported that several British goods trains were ready to move immediately to the German capital.

Quoting an official of the British Control Commission, the agency reported that the trains were waiting in the region of Helldorf on the Soviet-British zone border. The official was also quoted as saying that the first trains to leave for Berlin when the blockade was lifted would carry coal.

The railways in the Bizone would be asked to serve as many trucks as possible for goods traffic to Berlin, the agency added. Bizone trucks now held back in the Soviet Zone would also be used.

Passenger traffic would be delayed for several days while priority was given to goods traffic, the agency stated.—Associated Press and Reuter.

ATTACKS ON BRITAIN

Athens, August 30. Strong attacks against Britain appeared in some Athens newspapers today following the allegation by Major-General James Van Fleet, military head of the United States Air Mission, that ammunition for the latest British machine-gun had been found among the war booty captured from the guerrillas.

A British export has been sent to the Grammos area, where the ammunition was alleged to have been discovered, and the boxes have been ordered to be returned to Athens for further investigation.

General Van Fleet said in an interview yesterday that the ammunition was the latest British machine-gun, a weapon "so new that it has not yet been issued to the British Army.—Reuter.

STUDENTS LEFT PENNILESS

Brussels, August 30. Fifty Greek students of Egyptian birth, who are following courses at Belgian universities, have been left penniless in consequence of a recent Egyptian decision to stop certain payments abroad.

Most of the students, whose families live in Egypt, have been at schools and universities here for several years.

According to the Belgian Government the solution lies with the Egyptian authorities who have been asked to allow the transfer of enough Belgian francs to permit the students to continue their education.—Reuter.

TERROR SCARE IN BRITAIN

London, August 30.

The London police today intensified the highly secret investigations into suspected foreign terrorist plans for a new underground campaign against prominent British figures, particularly those associated with Palestine.

The investigations are being conducted by special detectives responsible for security measures and the control of aliens in Britain. They are in close touch with wireless with Continental police through the International Police Commission Headquarters in Paris.

Detectives from France and Belgium may come to Britain to assist.

Police anxiety for as much secrecy as possible in their immediate operations supports the belief that a widespread net has been set for persons they want to locate and question.

The London police have long been alert for any revival of the "letter bomb" scare which last May caused the death of Rex Farran, brother of Captain Roy Farran, who was formerly with the British in Palestine.

Some time ago a spate of hoax telephone calls threatened bomb explosions in public centres in London.—Reuter.

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RUSSIANS DEMAND REPARATIONS

Berlin, August 30.

Lt.-Gen. Mikhail Dratvin, Soviet deputy Military Governor in Germany, tonight demanded United States reparations and punishment of the American Military Police for wounding a Soviet sergeant in a gunfight on Friday night.

In a formal letter of protest to the United States deputy Military Governor (Major-General George Hays), General Dratvin charged that the Soviet sergeant, A. I. Chilenko, was "seriously wounded by United States Military Police who encroached upon the Soviet sector of Berlin and fired upon a Soviet military car."

The United States authorities on Saturday charged that a Soviet lieutenant-colonel and several other Russian soldiers were responsible for the street fight. The American officers said the Russians tried to run over an American sergeant with a jeep and then raced through the streets of Berlin, exchanging gunfire with United States Military Police in the pursuing vehicle.

The Soviet demand for action came immediately after Mr. Otto Suhr, President of the Berlin City Assembly, charged that the Soviet Military Administration in the German capital inspired Communist demonstrations against the Assembly in an attempt to influence the four-power decisions at Moscow. Mr. Suhr told 1,500 officials of the non-Communist Social Democratic Party that the demonstra-

tions last week which forced the Assembly to cancel two meetings were designed to force a final split in the city administration. "But we will not accept dictation from the streets," declared Mr. Suhr. "The elected administration will decide the time and place of the next Assembly meeting."

The police at Luneburg, in Northern Germany, reported earlier that more than 30 Soviet fighter planes cruised over the British Zone of Germany during the week-end.—United Press.

BENES: TURN FOR THE WORSE

Prague, August 30.

The official Czechoslovak News Agency reported tonight that the health of ex-President Eduard Benes had "taken a sudden change for the worse in the last few days."

The Agency carried the report from Sedlmova, Usti, summer home of Dr. Benes, who is 64.

Physicians stated that the main symptoms had already retreated and they hoped the crisis had passed.

In a bulletin, doctors attending the ex-President stated that a blood vessel disease making movement difficult, had "in general" improved since July, 1947.

"Several periods occurred in which the disease worsened," the bulletin added, "but these were always overcome within a few days."

"A more serious worsening of the conditions occurred recently, giving rise at first to serious fears, but in the last 24 hours there have been signs of an improvement."

"Deterioration of the condition does not appear to be continuing today and general signs of improvement are noticeable."—Reuter.

REDS RELEASE AMERICAN

Vienna, August 30. The United States Army authorities announced today that Pfc Marvin Ayers was released at Linz by the Soviets yesterday morning.

Ayers was arrested on August 25 by Russian soldiers when he crossed the Danube bridge leading from Linz in the American zone to Unruh in the Soviet zone.—United Press.

ALBERT SANDLER DEAD

London, August 30. Albert Sandler, famous British violinist, died today at his home in a London suburb. He was 42 and had been ill since February. During the last few weeks he asked frequently for his favourite Stradivarius violin but he was too ill to move it from the case.—Reuter.

INDONESIANS ALLEGE DUTCH BROKE PLEDGE

Batavia, August 30.

The Indonesian Republic objected formally today to a Dutch decision to expel Republican officials from Batavia, capital and chief trade mart of the Netherlands East Indies.

A Republican communique said the Republic "denied the right of any Federal Interim Government to enforce any decision on any matters connected with Republican offices or Republican officials in the Dutch occupied areas."

"The Republican Government challenges the legitimacy of any Federal Interim Government created outside the negotiations under the auspices of the United Nations Good Offices Committee." (This is a reference to the Interim N.E.I. Government set up under Dutch sponsorship on March 9. The Republic was invited to participate, but the position was such that it would be only one among the several states represented.)

Broken Pledge

The communique said that Republican offices in Batavia were based on rights recognised before the Dutch forces regained control in Batavia after the Japanese occupation.

"Dutch forces pledged themselves not to dislodge, or break down the status quo," it said.

"The pledge was broken, flagrantly by the Dutch on July 21 when Republican offices in Batavia were seized by Dutch forces."

The communique said the truce agreement reached under U.N. auspices aboard the U.S. Navy transport Renville, was intended to be recognition of the status quo not only in a military sense but also in a political sense.

The expulsion was declared to be "a grave breach of the Renville agreement."—Associated Press.

NO PLAN TO LEAVE KOREA

Washington, August 30.

The United States State Department said today it knows of no plans to evacuate American troops from South Korea.

The Press Officer, Michael McDermott, made this statement at a news conference when asked about published reports that a decision to withdraw the troops soon has been made by the National Security Council.

The National Security Council consists of President Truman, the Secretaries of Defense, State, Army, Navy, the Air Force and the head of the National Security Resources Board.

Mr. McDermott said he could not speak for the National Security Council but "there can be no firm decision involving Korea" until after the United Nations Assembly meeting in Paris in September.

Korea is at present split in two zones with the Russians occupying the Northern section. An American-supported government recently was set up in South Korea after elections in the US zone.—Associated Press.

TORNADO CAUSE OF CRASH?

Fountain City, Wis.,

August 30.

Sheriff Henry Rhyner, of Buffalo County said today that he believed a tornado hit the North West Air Lines plane which crashed into the Mississippi River bluff on Sunday night, killing all 36 persons aboard.

He said that eye-witnesses' accounts of the disaster indicated that a tornado was just starting to dip earthward when it hit the plane, smashing it against Buffalo Ridge.—United Press.

ELECTIONS IN PORTUGAL

Lisbon, August 30.

The third Presidential Elections have been set for February 13 next year, and political observers today concluded from speeches of the Dr. Salazar and the Home Minister, that the elections will be free and democratic.—United Press.

ARE YOU ALIVE?

How much time do you spend really living? How often do you feel you merely "exist"? In August Reader's Digest—now on sale—Stuart Chase tells how he decided which of his hours were alive and which were dead. Read how this gave him an interesting method of actually measuring his life; a method that may help you get more solid satisfaction out of yours. Get your Digest today! (Condensed from The Nation)

Also in Reader's Digest

Boy-Gang of Moonstown. In gangs 800 strong, they were wild with ice picks, acid, home-made guns—these Harlem boys who battle sociologists and police alike. Read this condemnation from Bradford Chambers' forthcoming book: an absorbing, first-hand account of the life of New York's gang kids.

"Cold" women—and why. Frigidly (or what is assumed to be frigidity) is more widespread than realized, and apparently, on the increase—says Antram Scheinfeld, noted authority. He explains psychological causes of frigidity... tells how much of this personal tragedy might be averted. (Condensed from Argosy)

Scotland Yard's greatest secret. Your French sleuth may go on a bunch; the FBI counts on laboratories and marksmanship; but the police Scotland Yard inspector prides himself on... 7 Remarkable story of the unique methods of the London police (don't even carry firearms) as revealed in thrilling cases. (Condensed from American Weekly)

Divorce is no solution. Divorce is NOT a passport to happiness, for you can never be wholly free of someone you once loved—says this twice-divorced woman. A famous author, she discusses causes of divorce... shows how many a shaky marriage can be made to work—if you really want it to. (Condensed from Macrone)

And more than 30 other articles of lasting interest, selected from leading magazines and current books, condensed to save your time. For instance:

► The Comics... Very Funny!—are comic books poisoning our children?

► Why We Didn't Take Berlin—inside story of Roosevelt's secret deal.

► Super-miracles of Oak Ridge—behind-scenes visit to the atom wonderland.

► How Good Is Your Vocabulary?—intriguing 20-word quiz.

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COUNCIL REFUSES TO DISCUSS KASHMIR

Lake Success, August 30.
The Security Council, by nine abstaining votes and only two in favour, rejected discussion of the Pakistan-India-Kashmir dispute.

The Council had been called into "emergency session" but led by the United States, Britain and Syria, held that neither Kashmir, nor consideration of the Palestine Truce, for which the Council had also been called, constituted an "emergency."

The Syrian delegate to the Security Council raised objections to the calling of today's emergency meeting.

The Council was meeting to take up the Kashmir Commission's request for the urgent appointment of a military adviser and 400 troops observers and to consider the use of sanctions to enforce the Palestine truce.

The Syrian delegate, Faris Bey El Khoury, argued that the Kashmir matter could be "settled by the Commission themselves."

The Palestine item "calls only for the interpretation of certain paragraphs in the Security Council resolution and this should be left to the mediator," he said.

M. Joseph Nisot (Belgium) who supported Faris Bey, said that a

questionnaire submitted by the Israel Foreign Secretary, Mr. Moshe Shertok, was an "indirect criticism" of the Council's resolution on Palestine.

The Council decided not to adopt its provisional agenda.

Voting was two for adoption and none against, with nine abstentions.

Both Britain and the United States did not think that either of the items "constituted an emergency."

Mr. Warren Austin, (United States), reminded the Council that when they last adjourned they decided not to meet unless an emergency arose and said he reserved the right to object to the provisional agenda before the Council.

Russia and the Ukraine voted for adoption of the agenda.

Before the meeting adjourned, Faris Bey El Khoury paid a tribute to M. Jacob Malik (Russia) for his work as Council Chairman during the month.

M. Malik thanked the Council for the "big help" given him during his term of office. The Council then adjourned.—Reuter.

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Jet Plane Shattered

Windsor, Berkshire,

One of Britain's latest jet Meteor fighter planes was shattered into fragments, the largest of which was only 18 inches square, when it crashed on Ham Island, in the River Thames, near here today. The pilot was killed. 77 planes were understood to have come from a test pilot school. Debris was scattered over a 200-yard area and the plane made a crater 25 feet across, an eye-witness said. The plane landed in a field, narrowly missing several houses.—Reuter.

MORE CALORIES FOR JAPS

Washington, August 30.

The U.S. Army announced today that the Japanese calorie level would be increased from the present 1,300 per day for the normal consumer to about 1,440 per day about November 1.

It said this "undoubtedly" would permit a decrease in the amount of sugar going into the ration and increase the rice, soy paste and sauce rations. It said it hoped supplies of unrationed fish and vegetables would be better.

Better crops, both in Japan and in other areas, will make possible the increase in calories.—United Press.

SUSPECT REFUSES TO ANSWER

New York, August 30.

Mr. J. Peters, described as the head of the Communist underground in the United States, today refused to answer questions on his alleged Communist affiliations before a House of Representatives Un-American Activities Sub-committee.

The witness cited the First and Fifth Amendments to the United States Constitution—dealing with Civic Rights—in his refusals to answer.

Mr. W. Chambers, senior editor of Time, who has been a key witness in the Committee's probe of alleged Communist infiltration in the Government, today identified Mr. Peters as "Director of an underground spy apparatus" operating in the Government since 1934.

A Committee member, Representative Robert Nixon said that Mr. Peters should be cited for contempt of Congress for refusing to answer questions about his alleged Communist affiliations. This was approved by Representative John McDowell, chairman of the sub-committee. Mr. Chambers, an avowed former Communist, testified that he had obtained \$6,000 a year Government job in 1937 through Communist influence—within 24 hours after applying for it. His story of the job had not been told publicly before, but was given to the committee in closed hearings at Washington.—Reuter.

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MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



RIP KIRBY

By ALEX RAYMOND



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Heavy Rebel Casualties In Terrorist Campaign

Singapore, August 30.

One hundred and thirty-five rebels have been killed and 72 wounded since the middle of June when Communist insurgent action flared up in Malaya, a communique issued by the Federation Government stated tonight. Government casualties were given as nine police killed and 34 wounded, eight Army personnel killed and 10 wounded, and five Royal Air Force personnel killed.

Chinese insurgents, in a 100-strong dawn attack on Tambora in Negri Sembilan, South West Malaya, today shot dead the European manager and a Malay special constable with tommy guns.

He was the 11th European killed since the guerrilla war broke out.

At nearby Perak police station, attacked by the same insurgent group, another Malay special constable was killed and two wounded. The insurgents launched a three-pronged concerted attack at dawn against the mine and the police station, felling trees to build a road block and cutting the telephone wires to the bungalow.

One of two more terrorists killed in the past 24 hours shot himself after being wounded, it was revealed today in a police communique issued at Kuala Lumpur.

The general impression in Malaya was that the Communists were being hit more effectively wherever they were contacted and the situation may be said to be improving, the newspaper said.

Reward Offered

Police have offered Straits \$5,000 reward for anyone giving information on the whereabouts of Mr. J. R. Rutty, Australian assistant manager of the Kuala Lumpur Rubber Estate, who disappeared after a terrorist ambush near Kuantan, Pahang, last month.

Mrs. Rutty and her daughter have returned to Australia. A similar reward was offered for information leading to the arrest of the terrorists responsible for the murder of Mr. David W. Jones, acting manager of the estate, and two others killed in the same ambush.—Reuter.

Situation Better?

Police fire drove off 11 Chinese dressed in black who were observed 50 yards from Lenggeng police station.

The Singapore newspaper, Straits Times, suggested today that the Communist onslaught had slowed down, although the insurgents were still far from beaten.

Wanton killings were now less frequent and the Communist capacity for mass attacks on villages and estates and mines has certainly not increased, the newspaper declared.

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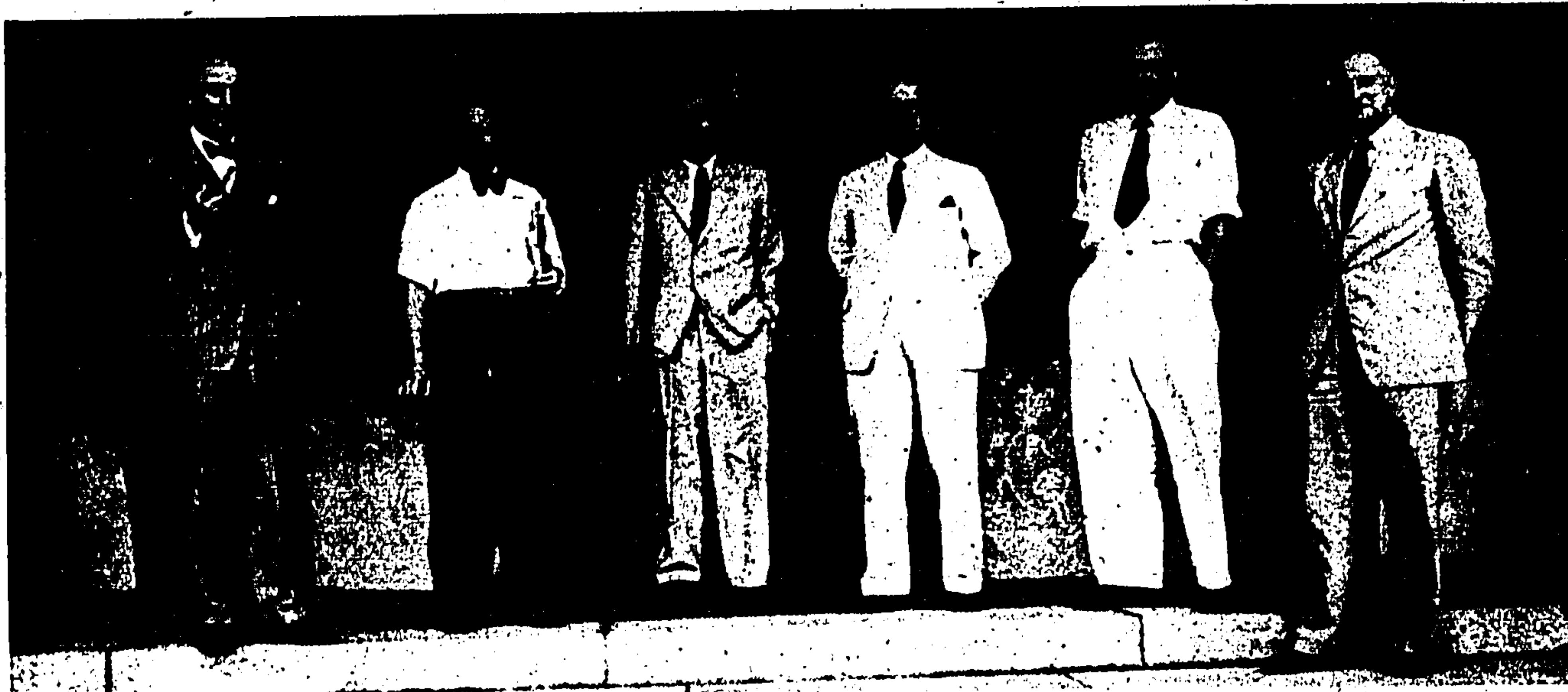
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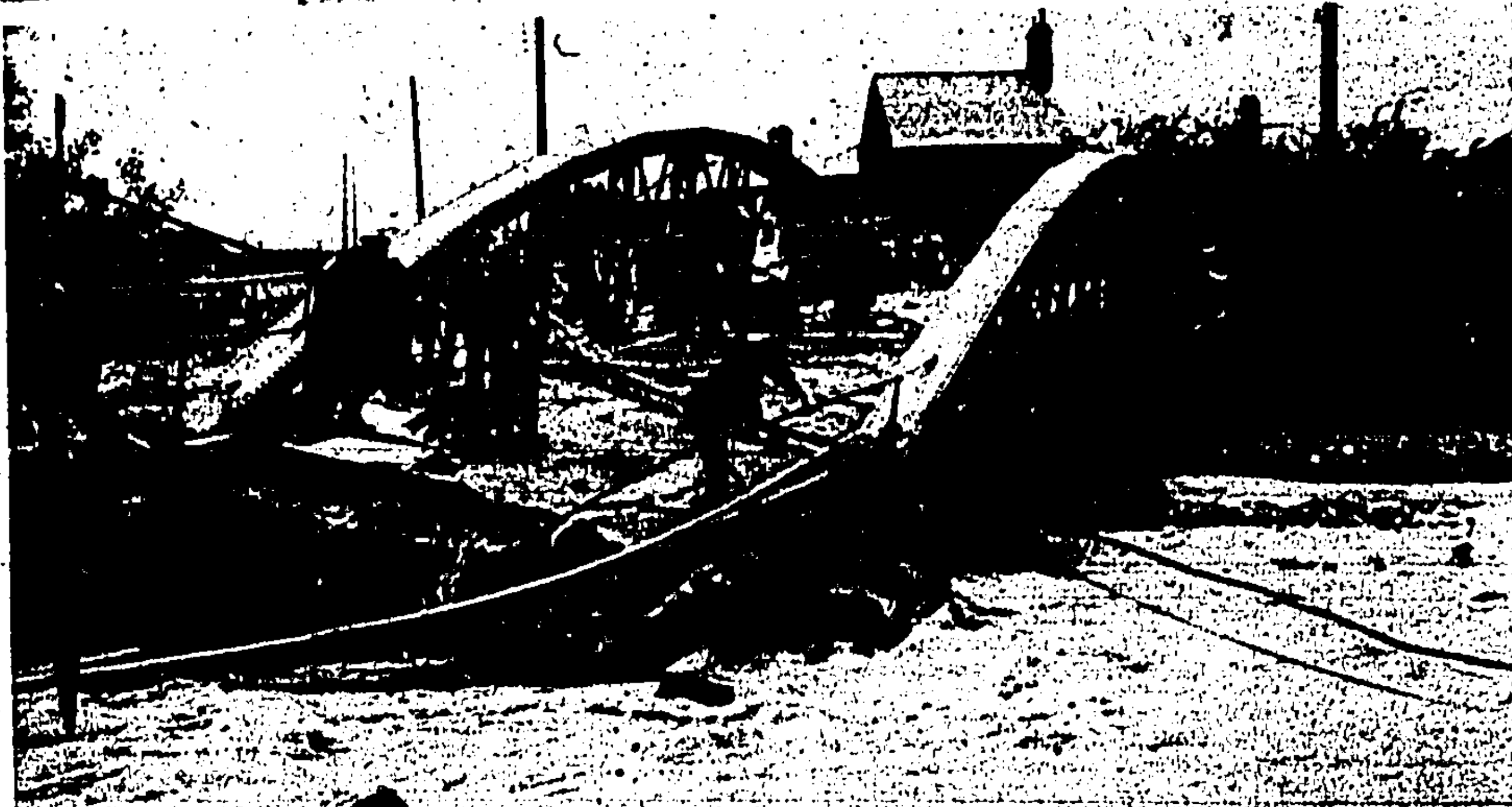




BRITAIN'S SENIOR COLONIAL ADMINISTRATORS. In South-East Asia are pictured during a special conference in Singapore on August 9. They are (left to right) Sir Alexander Grantham, of Hong Kong; Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Commissioner General for the United Kingdom for South-East Asia; Sir Alex Newbould, Acting High Commissioner Malaya; James Caldwell, of North Borneo; Sir Charles Arden Clarke, of Sarawak; and Sir Franklin Gimson, of Singapore.



THE EYES HAVE "IT." Diamond studded eyes focus attention on this hat made from a tiger mask. It is from the winter collection, of the world-famous Paris dress designer, Schiaparelli.



ADVANCE PARTY FOR MALAYA. mounting the gangway of the s.s. Dilwara at Southampton, on August 19, are five sergeants of the 4th Hussars. They were the advance party of a contingent due to embark the following day for Malaya.

AFTERMATH OF BRITAIN'S GREAT FLOOD. Top—Photograph shows a bridge that once spanned the Wooler-Belford Road, in Northumberland, after it had become another piece of flood wreckage.

Above—Crumbled banks in Berwickshire left railway lines high and dry, as can be seen in this photograph. Right—Once it was the family saloon. Now it will be useful only for spares, providing they are salvaged before the rust sets in.





REVOLVER ARMED employees stand on the verandah of their bungalow, transformed to a sandbagged strongpoint and alarm post at Dublin Estate, Kedah State, Malaya.

PHILIP see, left, guard how his shot-g

AMERICAN COMPANY RAISES "PRIVATE ARMY" TO PROTECT PLANTATION IN MALAYA

Led by a veteran jungle fighter, and equipped with guns flown from the United States, the Dublin Estate, in Kedah State, Malaya, has its own army. British and Malay defenders of the largest American property in Malaya are welding a fighting force for the day, when, and if, Communist insurgents strike at them.

They are the small defence force of the six rubber estates operated by the Malayan American Plantations, a subsidiary of the U.S. Rubber Company. Of the six, the largest is the 10,000-acre Dublin Estate in North Malaya.

With the hard-pressed Malayan Government able to furnish only a token force of Malay troops as guards, MAP's management stepped into the breach and set up their own defence. They enlisted Malays from the native villages on the estates, training them to use guns they never saw before. Putting them into uniform, and posting them strategically about the estates, they trained them to defend the acres of rubber trees, the spacious bungalows of the European staff, and the neat Indian and Chinese villages, from sudden attack from the jungle.

Directing MAP's defence force is 30-year-old George Swenson, of New York. A U.S. employee in the Sumatra rubber industry before the Japanese invasion, he joined the U.S. Army in 1942 and fought the Japanese for more than three years. Now he tours MAP's estates regularly, supervising the training of the new guards.

The athletic playing fields, the comfortable houses, the processing and plant and laboratory have all taken on a wartime appearance, like many other Malayan plantations. Wives have left the estate. Their husbands bunk together in central bungalows, surrounded by barbed wire. Sand-bagged sentry posts are dotted about.

Swenson says: "The responsibility of protecting the country and its rubber plantations, the added prestige of a weapon and a uniform, is giving (the Malays) an increased realization that Malaya is their own country, something worth working and fighting for." (All photographs by A.P.)



MALAYS of the Malay Regiment take positions in a sentry post of sandbags. Intense measures have been introduced to foil attacks by Communist insurgents roaming the surrounding jungle. In the background, a barbed wire barricade can be seen beyond the clearing.

R. S. HERRING, of Bourne, east of Penang, sets out by jeep posts and defence installations.



MALAYAN NATIVE. Many of these men have never before are entering enthusiastically in the struggle.

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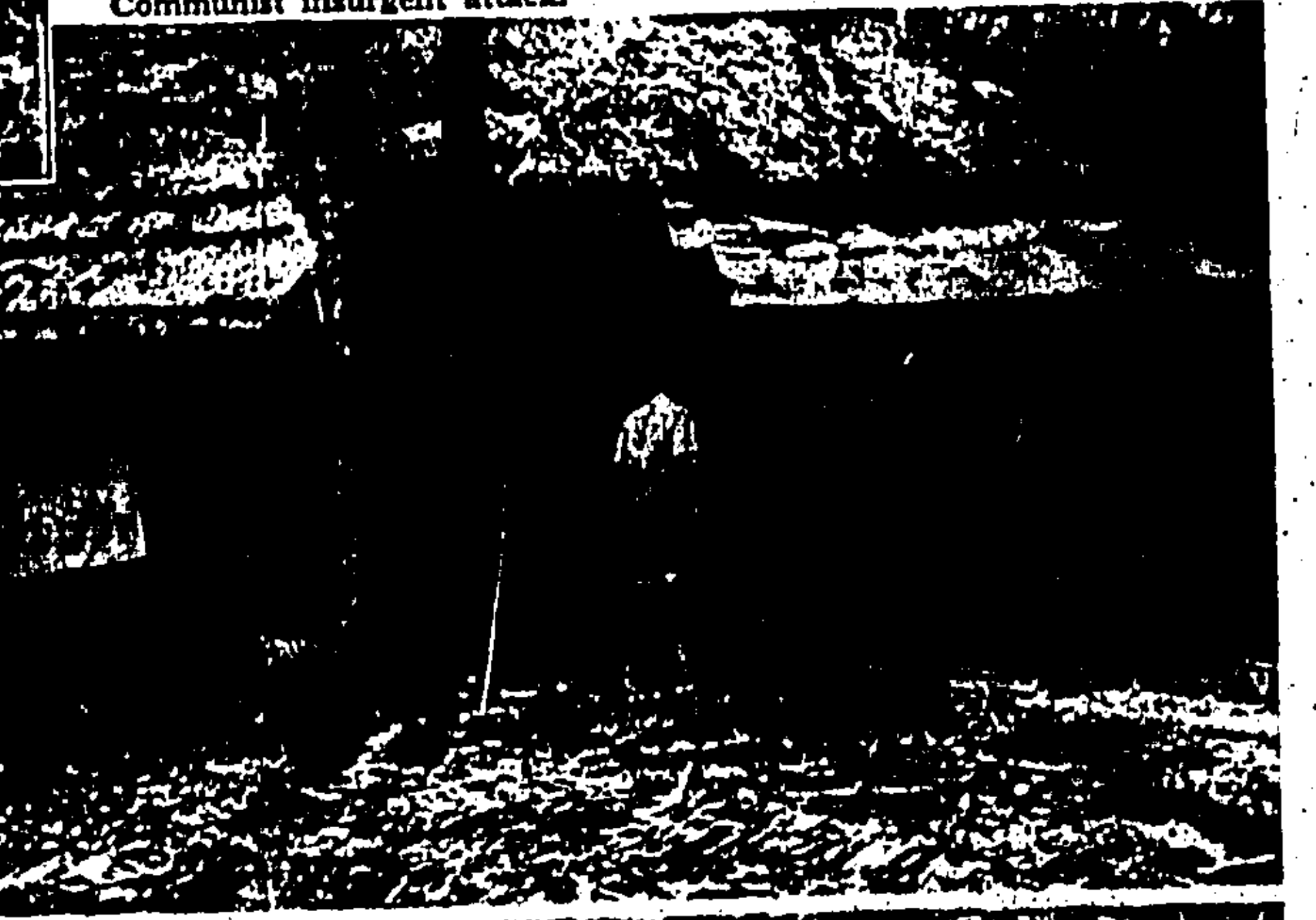
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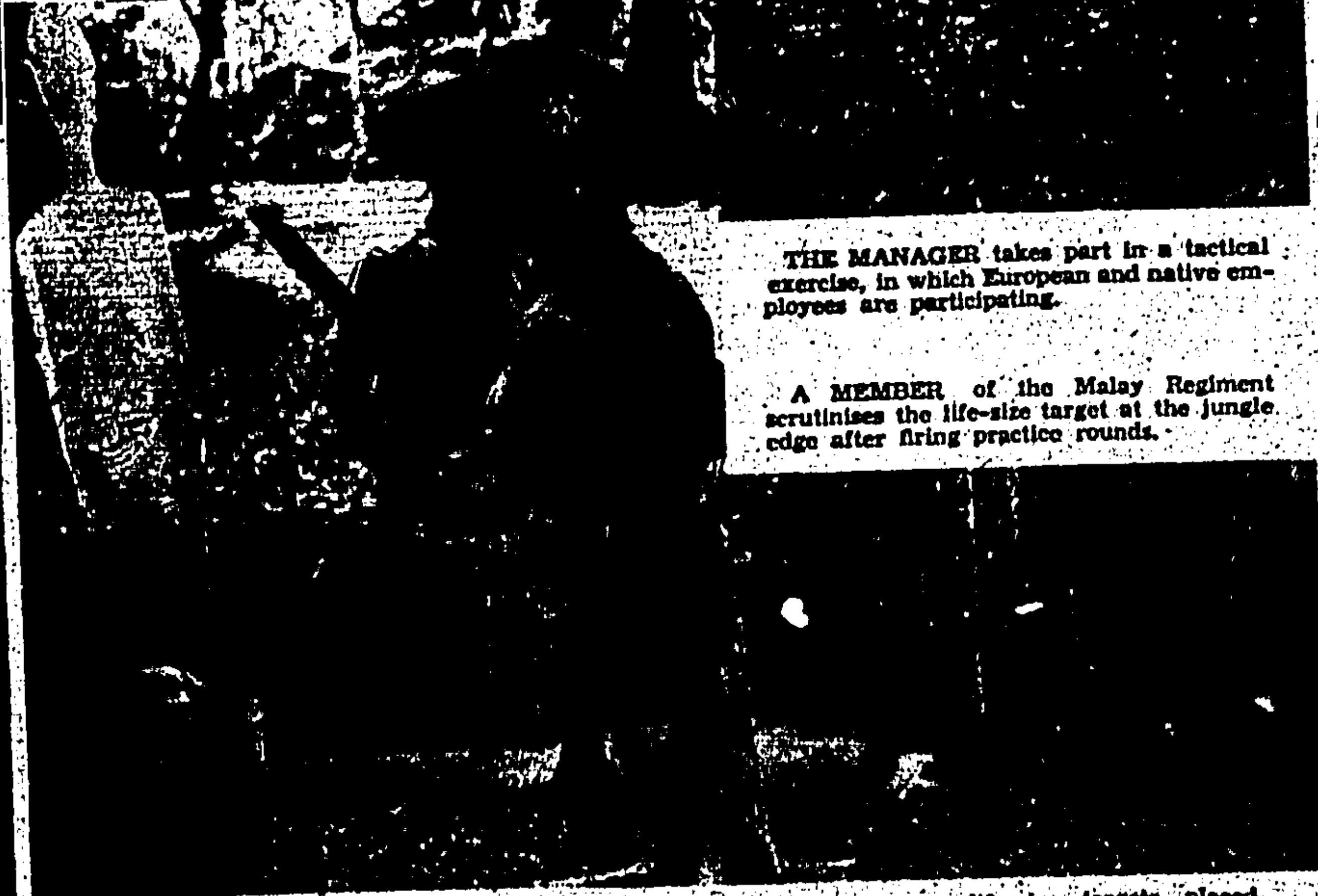
E. M. McCOLM (left), Director of Research for the United States Rubber Company, visiting Malaya from the New York Office, sees something of the precautions being taken against Communist insurgent attack.



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THE MANAGER takes part in a tactical
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A MEMBER of the Malay Regiment
scrutinises the life-size target at the jungle
edge after firing practice rounds.

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project for the protection of their homeland from

At the edge of the Rubber Plantation, advancing with rifles on life-size targets placed
on the adjacent jungle.

TEEN AGE TOPICS

Hello There

Now that summer is coming to an end, what kind of holiday did you school people have? Some of us probably slept and lazed around all summer, and were thoroughly bored—as I was last year.

Summers are just as important as the rest of the year for learning something new. At school we are all taught the same things in a class, but during the holidays we can learn a variety of different things, depending on our own tastes.

On this page today we print what several teen agers have been doing this summer. How do your experience compare with theirs? Write in and tell us about what you did.

TEEN AGE TOPICS EDITOR.

Readers' Letters

I for one would like very much to be a member of the Fashion Club, but first of all I would like to make a suggestion, if I may.

To form a Fashion Club, a model or models are necessary. Why not let us readers send in drawn models with wardrobe? The Editor would then choose the best model and give her a name.

I am sure that readers who can't draw would appreciate it.

Here's hoping my suggestions meet with approval.

HILDA OLSSON.

I think I am the loneliest girl in Hong Kong.

When I was in Singapore I had several pen pals abroad, one of them in Hong Kong. This correspondent of mine is the one who used to write to me most. When I came to Hong Kong four weeks ago, I looked her up and to my disappointment she could hardly speak English. I have stayed at home ever since.

I will be much obliged to know the addresses of youth clubs where boys and girls do speak English.

PRISCILLA LIMA.

I'd like very much to join the fashion club, and will help in any way I can.

In answer to Viewpoints, I think that a girl of 16 should be able to choose her own dresses. Of course, she should consult her mother and ask her advice. At 16 years old many haven't excellent taste, and will no doubt make mistakes, but that can be corrected. Everybody knows that experience is costly.

Boys are not usually able to choose their own clothes at 16, but they are usually not interested in clothes at that age. So I think their mothers should pick their clothes.

MILDRED OZORIO.



Art classes for KGS seniors given by Mrs. O'Connor.

WHAT WE DID

This Summer

This summer was fun because I had enough time to go swimming and to the movies. But I have also been taking shorthand and typing lessons, three mornings a week.

I wouldn't exactly say this was fun, but I was learning something not taught in my school, and it is important to have training like this when the time comes to take a job.

So my summer has been constructive as well as fun.

SHELLEY DA MOTTA.

I attended Mrs. O'Connor's art classes at her home on the Peak this summer. Five girls and a boy go every Monday morning to draw designs, objects and occasionally the local views.

Mr. Mulcahy devotes three mornings a week to teaching maths students, and provides much of the friendly competitive spirit apparent in the fortnightly cricket matches held at KGS, when the old timers beat the juniors.

But if I had my choice of ways to spend the summer, I would travel.

PATRICK MOSS.

The most appropriate way of spending the summer in Hong Kong is swimming, and that is how I spent much of the holidays. The calm beach of Cheung Chau Island was very inviting, and the days I spent there are filled with pleasant memories.

With my friends, I awoke early every morning for a dip in the sea before breakfast. After a good meal, it wasn't long before we were back again.

In the afternoons, when the sun was hot, we walked in the cool of the hills and admired the natural beauties.

As the night was creeping in, we strolled along the beach, singing quiet songs which somehow fitted in with the calm and stillness about us.

WANDA R.

My ambition is to become a champion in the athletic world, which of course takes some doing. I am keenly interested in running, the half mile being my favourite distance, although at home (Birmingham, England), I used to do long distance running.

Each night this summer I did 10 miles, to strengthen leg muscles, control breathing and keep weight down. I missed all the sports at home this year by coming out to the Far East, and arrived too late for them here. Still, I am determined to keep peeing away.

CPL. A.G. BLADEN, R.A.F.



Shorthand and typing classes have been given three times a week by Mr. Law in Kowloon.

Class For A Lass

This is a time of changing fashions. Not so long ago all girls wore their skirts knee length, but now skirts have gone down almost to the ankles.

Teen agers in Hong Kong are taking to the "New Look" very slowly, but gradually one after the other the older girls are adopting it.

Mothers may well have a worrying time when daughter wants a complete new wardrobe of dresses. Often it just can't be done. Maybe one new one—and then what? Teen agers themselves can help here by modifying their present clothes.

If you have a nice frock which you think too short, buy a yard or two of the same material if possible, or some fine white or contrasting material. Then add a frill to the end of the skirt, making the frill as long as you want the skirt to be.

It can be done to almost any dress, easily and cheaply.

WANDA.

Sports Make Good Sports

Every outdoor sport that you play, you play it with someone else. Every one likes good sports, they are fun to play with.

They don't argue with everyone on some little thing, they usually let it pass. That doesn't mean that they let the people they are playing with get away with cheating; it means that whenever there is a doubt, they let it pass, just to make the game more fun.

A good sport also plays the game. He or she doesn't stand in the corner while the rest of his friends are playing. He doesn't make everyone feel sorry for him if his shoes are too tight, or if he didn't get enough sleep last night.

If you play a game you are going to make mistakes. A good sport can take a little punishment for making the point for the wrong team. The important part of being a good sport is to make your friends enjoy the game too. If you can, it will make them like you.



PEN PAL S

The following addresses were supplied by Miss Devi Narain.

Judy Robertson, aged 13, Geeveston, Huon, Tasmania. Jean Fort, age 16, 21 North St., Brandon Colliery Co., Durham, England. James Montgomery, age 14, 35 School Parade, Westmead, Australia. Audrey Targett, Tantawangle via Candelo, Australia. Fay Quinlan, age 16, 50 Sutton St., Cootamundra, Australia.

The following were obtained by a Teen Age Topics reporter.

Ann Tilling, aged 14, 297 Hurstbourne Rd., Rochester 8, N.Y., U.S.A. Marjorie Pugley, aged 17, 1418 Ridge Rd. East, Webster, N.Y., U.S.A. Tom Putnam, age 15, 81 West Main St., Webster, N.Y., U.S.A. Marjorie Anderson, age 15, 37 Woodrow Rd., Rochester 9, N.Y., U.S.A. David Woods, age 16, 66 Hurstbourne Rd., Rochester 9, N.Y., U.S.A. Audrey Kay, age 16, 258 Lake Rd., Sea Breeze, N.Y., U.S.A. Ennie Wood, age 17, Kennedy Rd., Webster, N.Y., U.S.A.

I can understand that your English friends hate us. But they should think, our towns too are destroyed, and much more than English towns, and if we go on with hating and counter-hating, we will never have peace. I personally don't hate any people, also not the English and the Russians, in spite of having some reasons to do so.

People speak often of a new war. I don't like the idea, for this war would be fought on our heads and the rest of our homes would be destroyed.

I often read in American newspapers that we Germans are said to hope that in a new war we could get back our political influence and therefore would welcome a new war. This is untrue, only very few Germans would like a new war, for we know what war really means.

Sometimes we are asked by Americans if we would like a new war and if we would fight for America. But nobody likes war in Germany and if we must fight we would fight only for Germany, but neither for America nor for Russia or England or any other country.

We want to live in peace, to rebuild our destroyed industries and help to build a United Europe.

GOTZ EBERBACH, BAMBERG, GERMANY.
Note. This was part of a letter sent in by a boy in Hong Kong, who has a Pen Pal in Germany.

CONTEST PRIZE WINNER

This sketch was drawn by Theresa Rozario, 6 Knutsford Terrace, Kowloon, as a likeness of her sister Helen. She wins \$10 for this contribution, and the cash will be in the post today. How about you other artists? A drawing on any subject if it's good enough—is worth money to you if you send it to Teen Age Topics.



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SCHUMAN AGREES TO TRY TO FORM NEW CABINET

Franc Takes A Dive

Paris, August 30. The lengthening crisis in French governmental affairs today suddenly forced the franc much lower in terms of gold.

The U.S.\$20 gold piece which was quoted at 2,160 francs before the crisis was up to 23,500 francs today. The gold franc was up to 5,025 francs against 4,525 francs last Saturday. Associated Press.

CONCERN OVER CRISIS IN FRANCE

Washington, August 30. American officials expressed deep concern today over the political situation in France and the effect it might have on the negotiations over Berlin.

The European Recovery Programme and the desired trend towards Western European Unity.

Most hopes were pinned on M. Robert Schuman being successful in his efforts to form a cabinet, but there was still pessimism over the belief that, however successful he might be in his immediate task, he would be plagued over a longer period by what are regarded here as fundamental faults in the French system of Government.

The New York Times said today that only the "drastic surgery" of a national election could correct this "unworkable" system.

But there is the additional fear here that a general election would bring the extreme right wing forces of General de Gaulle to power while at the same time increasing the Communist strength.

Such a re-arrangement of power would bring much nearer the danger of major internal strife in France, it is felt by informed officials in Washington. — Reuters.

LABOUR UNREST SPREADING

Paris, August 30.

M. Robert Schuman, Popular Republican ex-Premier and the outgoing Foreign Minister, announced officially tonight that he has agreed to try to form a new Cabinet.

M. Schuman will go before Parliament tomorrow night to present his Cabinet, which may be composed entirely of his own party.

Day-long talks with other political leaders had apparently failed to bring the support M. Schuman needs to form a Coalition, but his final reply to President Vincent Auriol is not expected before tomorrow.

M. Schuman, France's last Premier but one, began his task after M. Paul Ramadier, the Socialist leader, had announced his failure to form a Cabinet this morning. If M. Schuman fails, the President is expected to call on M. Rene Mayer, Radical and former Finance Minister.

M. Schuman may not meet the same hostility from the Radicals and Moderates as M. Ramadier. He must seek, however, to conciliate the Socialists, with their all-out State control policy, his own slightly more liberal party and the Radicals, and Moderates with their openly liberal views.

Difficult Choice

Even if the parties agreed on a financial and economic policy, the choice of a Finance Minister to succeed M. Paul Reynaud would be difficult, it was believed.

Observers thought that M. Schuman might take over the Foreign Affairs portfolio himself. State securities slumped on the Paris Stock Exchange today, and new highs were chalked up for gold coins. On the currency black market, new peaks were reached for the dollar, sterling and Swiss franc.

Bakers in the Department of Indre-et-Loire and Vienne—rich agricultural districts South West of Paris—were selling bread off the ration today after protesting against the "immorality" of the rationing system.

Communists Busy

They said that this year's wheat crop was big enough to feed France for two years. The

official reply to this was that it was necessary to build up stocks. Meanwhile, the Communists, who would not be invited to join any middle-of-the-road Government, are taking the opportunity to whip up unrest among the workers.

They were favoured by the mounting state of discontent among the nation's wage earners and housewives at the skyrocketing food prices, some of which jumped as much as 20 per cent within the past two weeks.

Some 400 workers at the Hotchkiss automobile plant at St. Denis, Paris, left their jobs this morning to march to the Ministry of Labour. They were met at the city gates by strong police cordons and turned back without serious trouble.

Communist-led demonstrations against the soaring living conditions took place all over France yesterday, although no disorders were reported. Throughout the Paris working class districts, the Communists busily collected signatures to a petition demanding the formation of a "democratic people's Government."

Unions Impatient

Leaders of between five and six million French trade unionists, from the Communist left to the Catholic right, were today marking time impatiently while politicians tried to end the crisis—largely a result of net crisis—pressure—which followed the resignation of the Premier, M. Andre Marie, on Saturday.

The unions affiliated to the Confederation Generale du Travail (the Communist-dominated Labour Federation) today were maintaining the position they have taken for months now—an increase of the basic minimum living wage from 10,500 francs a month to 12,900 francs, with an automatic increase in wages whenever the cost of living index figure rises by 10 per cent.

Behind this demand is a membership estimated at some 3,000,000 workers. The CGT leaders were still calling on the rank and file of the non-Communist unions to join them in common action on this platform. Reports from all over the country showed that in a small number of scattered



M. ROBERT SCHUMAN

instances this call was being answered by non-Communist workers but on a scale that, as yet, could not be considered significant.

Leaders of the Force Ouvriere (mainly Socialist) unions, believed to number some 2,000,000 workers, were walking warily in view of the Communist "united front" call, but were also insisting on immediate action to improve the purchasing power of their members.

Ultimatum

The CFTC (the Christian unions—mainly Roman Catholic) who number about 700,000 members, were maintaining a watchful and reserved attitude. The CFTC unions had given the Marie Government an ultimatum expiring on September 1 to take effective steps to remedy the wage price problem or grant an immediate cost of living allowance of 3,000 francs per wage earner for August, plus 500 francs for each dependant.

M. Bouladoux's statement implied that the ultimatum was for the moment being held in abeyance until a new Government is formed. — Reuters, United Press and Associated Press.

TENANTS ON STRIKE

Bristol, August 30. Seventeen thousand tenants of the Town Council's flats here have started a strike against rent increases of 12-6 a week. At a meeting, the strikers stressed that the Council is raising the rents higher than private landlords. — Reuters.

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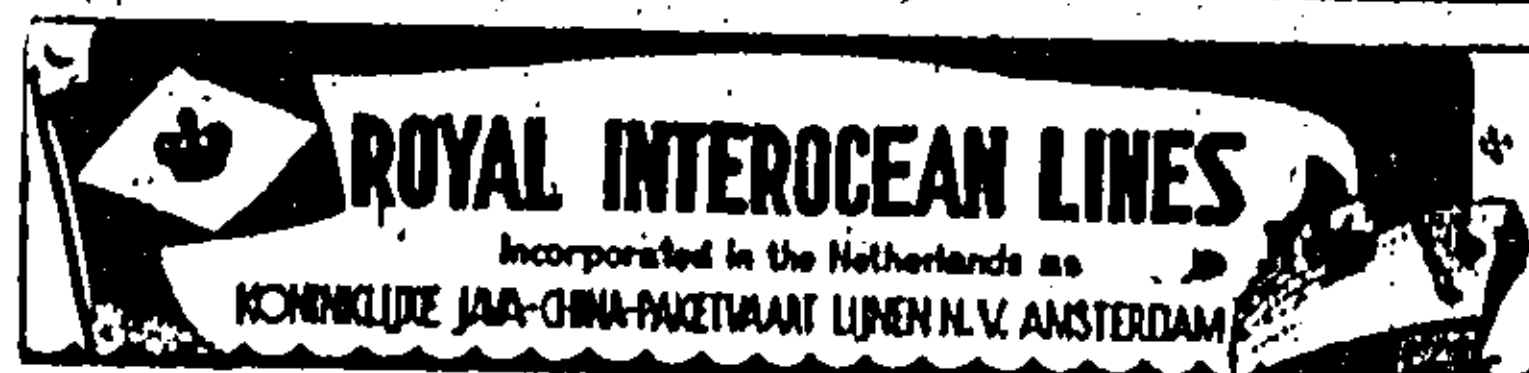
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Genoa, August 30.

Trade between East and West Europe must be increased to nearly five times its present level if Europe is to be independent of United States aid by 1952, the Economic Commission for Europe reported tonight.

The report was drawn up on the unanimous decision of the Commission's 27 member nations, including the Soviet Union, Britain, and the United States, and made concrete proposals for breaking down trade barriers between the East and West.

If the Marshall plan was to succeed, Western Europe must import at least US\$3,000,000,000 worth of food and materials a year from Eastern Europe, compared to \$700,000,000 in 1947. These imports must be paid for in machinery and other capital goods needed for Eastern Europe's vast industrialisation plans, and must be backed by short and long-term credits, the report said.

It was suggested that with Western machinery and credits Eastern Europe could eventually provide all Western Europe's needs in bread grains, more than half of its needs in coarse grains, greatly increased supplies of other foods, and also coal, timber and other raw materials essential for Western industries, at present largely supplied from the dollar area.

Detailed proposals along these lines are to be kept secret until Government representatives from all European countries, as well as the United States and Russia, meet in Geneva to discuss them on September 27. These proposals include suggestions for Western help in developing, on a short term basis, Eastern Europe's agricultural and raw material output, and on a longer view her transport, electric power and output of steel, and better utilization of the full resources of the Danube basin.

Common Interest

Eastern and Western Europe faced different problems, but there was "a high degree of common interest" between them, and considerable possibilities for mutual assistance.

Money Market

Gold continued its downward slide yesterday, dropping to \$292.62 1/2 a tael after opening at \$305.00—a landslide of 12 points since Saturday.

The bottom fell out of gold when selling pressure forced the market down without buying support.

Piastres opened at \$11.50 a 100, and closed at \$11.55 after rising to \$11.60.

Price quoted for Chinese Customs Gold Units, or CNC, was 4.45 cents Hong Kong currency for CNC\$1,000.

Ticals were quoted at \$25.50 a 100.

NEI Guilders were quoted at \$41.50 a 100.

U.S. dollars weakened at \$5.10 1/2.

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ARSENAL BEATEN AGAIN

London, August 30.
Arsenal, 1947-48 First Division football champions, lost their second game in three days today, bowing to Stoke City.

Two other First Division games today both saw the home side lose.

First Division
Villa 2 Bolton 4
Sheffield U. 1 Liverpool 2
Stoke 1 Arsenal 0

Second Division
Leicester 2 Queen's Park 3
Luton 3 Cardiff 0
Spurs 2 Coventry 0
West Ham 2 Wednesday 2

Third South
Bristol R. 4 Bournemouth 0
Millwall 0

Third North
Gateshead 2 Rochdale 1
Hartlepool 2 Darlington 1
Mansfield 1 Bradford C. 0
Rotherham 1 Accrington 0
York 1 Southport 3

Rugby League
Believe 11 Swinton 14
Rangers 11 Swinton 14
Featherstone 25 York 4
Hull Kingston 2 Dewsbury 10
— Associated Press.

MY LOVE'S PRICE CUT

London, August 30.
My Love's price for the St. Leger was cut from two to one to 11 to 8 at tonight's Victoria Club call over.

Noor, who had been joint second favourite, drifted to the ninth, leaving Black Turquoise as clear second favourite at 15 to 2.

Royal Drake was again offered at 10 to 1, while his stable companion, Vic Day, remained at 10 to 1 and a fair amount of business was done at tonight's call over. The next will be on Wednesday.

Tonight's prices were: 11 to 8 My Love; 15 to 2 Black Turquoise; 10 to 1 Noor; 10 to 1 Royal Drake; 10 to 1 Timor; 10 to 1 Solar Slipper; 20 to 1 Vic Day; 22 to 1 Count Rendell and Alyce; 28 to 1 bar those nine.—Reuter.

Taunton, August 30.
The Australian cricket tourists beat Somerset by an innings and 374 runs here today.

A combination of good bowling by McCool and Johnston, with weak and spiritless batting, brought about the double collapse of Somerset in under four hours before tea.

The pitch was in no way different from that on which the Australians made 530 for 5 on Saturday.

Whether bowling medium, fast or just below medium pace, Bill Johnston presented difficulties and McCool showed his best form of the tour with leg breaks and a good flighted delivery and spun quickly.

Johnston, McCool and Ring were responsible for Somerset's dismissal for 115 shortly after lunch, during which the gates were closed for the first time in the history of the club, with 15,000 inside and thousands turned away.

When the last man of Somerset's second innings fell leg before wicket to Johnston to end the innings, Johnston became the first man of the tourists to take 100 wickets.

The Australians declared at Saturday's total of 500 for 5 when the match was resumed this morning.

One bowling by Bill Johnston marked the opening of the County's innings. Though Gimblett scored boundaries with sparkling forward drives and cuts he was not happy against Johnston's left arm medium-fast swingers and fell to a fine catch by McCool at first slip with the total at 31.

Timid Batting
The off-spinners of Johnston, and McCool's leg breaks and googlies caused further trouble to Somerset, whose batsmen contributed to their own downfall by timid footwork.

Saggers made two fast stumpings to dismiss Watts and Walford, and Buse lifted a catch to cover. When Ring bowled Coope, half the side were out in 75 minutes for 87. The pitch had not deteriorated, but good bowling and poor batting brought about the collapse, which continued when Tremlett was bowled and Wellard was caught at mid-on.

McCool's first four wickets cost him only 13 runs. Woodhouse and Redman were out for 20 minutes before lunch and added 31 runs. The 100 went up in as many minutes.

The luncheon interval was but a brief respite for the Somerset batsmen. In his first over after the break Johnston took the wickets of Redman, and Hazel.

Bowling
Essex had earlier taken their score to 514, their highest of the season.

Other good bowling feats were Ford's four for 12 apart for Yorkshire against Sussex and McMahon's seven for 108 for Surrey against Hampshire. He bowled unchanged for three and three-quarter hours to send down 46 overs.

Close of play scores:
At Lords: Middlesex 370; Warwickshire 110 (51 runs 4 for 28, Young 3 for 11) and 270 for 6 (Ord 134, Donnelly 55).
At Clacton: Essex 514 (Pearce 62, Ray Smith 60; Northamptonshire 313 for 11) and 270 for 6 (Ord 134, Donnelly 55).
At Gloucestershire: Kent 252 and 124 for 2 (Arnes 69 not out); Gloucestershire 286 (Crapp 59, Wilson 74, Dovey 4 for 30).
At Bournemouth: Surrey 449 for 7 declared; Hampshire 209 (Rogers 100, Bailey 63, McMahon 7 for 10) and 20 for 5.

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TENNIS LEAGUE TABLES

The following are the up to date tables of the various divisions of the Tennis League:

"A" DIVISION

Club	P	W	L	D	Pts
C.R.C. "A"	7	0	0	0	14
H.K.C.C. "A"	6	1	0	0	12
H.K.C.C. "B"	5	2	0	0	10
K.C.C. "A"	4	3	0	0	8
K.C.C. "B"	3	4	0	0	6
K.T.C.C.A.	2	5	0	0	4
L.R.C.	1	6	0	0	2

"B" DIVISION

Club	P	W	L	D	Pts
C.R.C. "B"	6	0	0	0	12
H.K.C.C. "B"	5	1	0	0	10
H.K.C.C. "C"	4	2	0	0	8
K.C.C. "C"	3	3	0	0	6
K.C.C. "D"	2	4	0	0	4
K.T.C.C.A.	1	5	0	0	2
L.R.C.	0	6	0	0	0

MIXED DOUBLES DIVISION

Club	P	W	L	D	Pts
C.R.C.	6	0	0	0	12
H.K.C.C.	5	1	0	0	10
L.R.C.	4	2	0	0	8
K.C.C.	3	3	0	0	6
K.T.C.C.A.	2	4	0	0	4
L.R.C.	1	5	0	0	2
L.R.C.	0	6	0	0	0

LADIES' DOUBLES DIVISION

Club	P	W	L	D	Pts
C.R.C.	6	0	0	0	12
H.K.C.C.	5	1	0	0	10
L.R.C.	4	2	0	0	8
K.C.C.	3	3	0	0	6
K.T.C.C.A.	2	4	0	0	4
L.R.C.	1	5	0	0	2
L.R.C.	0	6	0	0	0

2ND INNINGS

Club	P	W	L	D	Pts
Gimblett lwb b Johnston	0	0	0	0	0
Walford s/b Barnes b McCool	21	0	0	0	0
Watts c Harnett b Miller	0	0	0	0	0
Buse c Harnett b McCool	21	0	0	0	0
Woodhouse not out	33	0	0	0	0
Coope c Harnett b McCool	3	0	0	0	0
Tremlett c Harnett b McCool	2	0	0	0	0
Wellard c Johnston b McCool	5	0	0	0	0
Luckes not out	0	0	0	0	0
Hazel b Johnston	0	0	0	0	0
Redman c Harnett b Johnston	5	0	0	0	0
Hazell lwb b Johnston	0	0	0	0	0
Extras	5	0	0	0	0

BOWLING

Club	O	M	R	W
Miller	3	1	20	0
Johnston	11.5	3	34	3
Johnston	9	5	15	1
McCool	11	0	21	4
Ring	9	4	17	2

BOWLING

Club	O	M	R	W
Miller	3	1	5	1
Johnston	17.4	3	38	5
Johnston	0	0	4	0
McCool	14	4	23	4

—Reuter.

COUNTY BOWLERS TAKE OVER

London, August 30.
In contrast to Saturday, when batsmen dominated the County cricket programme, bowlers came more into their own today, although there was no weather reason for this.

As a result, Warwickshire beat Glamorgan by an innings and 38 runs. Leicester 284; Glamorgan 144 (Walsb 6 for 40) and 112 (Walsb 6 for 40).

At Hove: Yorkshire 315 for 9 declared and 110; Sussex 192 (Parks 64, Wardle 3 for 35) and 46 for one.—Reuter.

Tennis In Istanbul
Istanbul, August 30.
The Istanbul International Tennis Championship ended today with Patrick Hughes of Britain and Stales of Greece taking the men's doubles title.

They eliminated F. Weiss and H. Redl of Austria 3-0, 0-0, 6-3, 6-4.

Miss M. Gorodetsky of Turkey and Redl won the mixed doubles beating Miss V. Maltier of Lebanon and Hughes 6-3, 6-2.

The Champions will be presented silver engraved cups at a ball tonight.—Associated Press.

CFA Team For Sunday
The following will represent Chinese Football Association against the Hong Kong-Macau Police in a football match on Sunday, at the Boundary Street at 5.30 p.m. sharp.

Yu Yew Tak, Yu Kai Yan, Tang Chung Wan, Cheung Siu Ling, Mok Kin Chung, Tang Sam, Hung Him, Kwai Kwai, Tam Chun Fai, Chiu Foo, Leo Chun Fat, Tang Yee Kit, Tam Woon Cheung, Leo Ping Chin, Wong King Chun and Leo Shek Yau.



A MIXED GRILL of aircraft wheels, a nesting bird, broken propellers and a windsock decorated the hat of model-flying enthusiast Rodney Carpenter, 17, of Alton, Hampshire. Here he is seen starting up his powered model aircraft with which he participated in the all Hearts Model Aircraft Rally at Radlett Aerodrome, Hertfordshire.—AP Photo.

YACHTS TO RACE FOR WILHELMINA TROPHY

The Yacht Race for the "Queen Wilhelmina Cup" will take place at Kellet Island at 6 p.m. tomorrow, weather permitting, between a team of six representing the Dutch members of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club and a team of six representing the Club. The team captains are Mr. J. v.T. Hoogerhuys and Mr. T. F. Honess respectively.

This cup is being presented to the Yacht Club to mark the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the accession to the throne of the Netherlands of H.M. Queen Wilhelmina.

It will be a Challenge Cup and will be competed for each year on a date near to the birthday of the Queen of the Netherlands. This next year it will be competed for about April 30, the birthday of H.M. Queen Juliana.

It is to be hoped that next Thursday will see fine sailing weather so that the first race for this cup can be held under ideal conditions.

Conditions last week-end were far from ideal for sailing and enthusiasts spent a very wet three days on Saturday, Sunday and Monday. Even so, big fields turned out for the daily races, including the Ladies' race on Saturday which started in heavy rain and only light winds.

Lost Heavily
Miss Dewar was in the lead but after rounding the first mark many boats lost heavily against the tide, and eventually when the wind strengthened, Miss Van Stensel in No. 23 dinghy got a long lead and won comfortably.

Miss Harrower had the misfortune to hit the mark when contesting for second place just before the end. The ladies have now had three of the five races in the summer series and at present Mrs. Honess is in the lead. Leadership of the open dinghy championship also changed hands over the week-end.

Details of the last week's sailing races and the latest position of the leaders in the three summer championship follow:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24

Club	Pts
1. "Deneb" Honess	1,171.01
2. "Belatrix" DeLong	1,28.30
3. "Polaris" Malorie	1,29.08
4. "Daphne" Yourist	1,30.00

DINGHIES

Club	Pts
1. "Deneb" Honess (Hutchinson)	1,171.01
2. "Belatrix" DeLong	1,28.30
3. "Polaris" Malorie	1,29.08
4. "Daphne" Yourist	1,30.00

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26

Club	Pts
1. "Deneb" Honess	1,171.01
2. "Belatrix" DeLong	1,28.30
3. "Polaris" Malorie	1,29.08
4. "Daphne" Yourist	1,30.00

BASEMAN INJURED
New York, August 30.
George Kelly, Detroit Tiger third baseman, was in a New York medical centre today with a double fractured lower right jaw which he suffered when struck by a ball hit by Joe DiMaggio during the first game of yesterday's New York-Detroit double header.

Kelly will be lost to the Tigers for the remainder of the season.—United Press.

Dodgers Take Firm Grip On National Lead

New York, August 30.
Brooklyn Dodgers took a strong grip on first place in the National League today by sweeping their second double header in two days from St. Louis Cardinals, 6-5 and 6-1.

A stunned crowd of 33,508 was at St. Louis when they rallied for four runs in the ninth inning to take the opener.

Hernandez opened with a single and Duke Snider rapped a double to put runners at second and third as Ted Wilks relieved Dickson. Pinch hitter Pete Riser slashed a two run double into the left field corner.

Arky Vaughan got a pinch-hit single and Bruce Edwards intentionally walked to fill bases.

A fly ball by pinch hitter Marv Rackley scored Tommy Brown with the tying run and George Shubas' single brought home Vaughan with the winning tally.

In the nightcap, Dodgers tied the game in the third, rallied in the sixth, and got two more in the ninth on Hatten's single and Miksis' double.

The twin win extended Dodgers' winning streak to seven straight games and was their eighth victory in a row over Cardinals.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
Brooklyn Dodgers 6 14 0
St. Louis Cardinals 5 10 0
Dodgers: P. Erskine, Minner, Behrman, Palica; c. Bragan, Edwards.
Cardinals: P. Dickson, Wilks; c. Wilber.
Brooklyn Dodgers 6 11 0
(2nd game)
St. Louis Cardinals 1 5 1
Dodgers: P. Hatten; c. Campanella.
Cardinals: P. Johnson, Pollot, Staley, Braric; Dickson; c. Rice.
—United Press.

Tom Blower Abandons Return Trip
Boulogne-sur-Mer, August 30.
Tom Blower, the English swimmer who left Dover last night to swim the Channel both ways, abandoned the return trip on medical advice soon after coming ashore at Cap Gris Nez, near here, this afternoon.

Blower knocked 23 minutes off the England to France record, made by E. H. Temme in 1934. His time was 15 hours 31 minutes.

A telegram received at Deal, Southern England, from Cap Gris Nez said: "Blower broke Temme's record for England to France by 25 minutes, time 15 hours 31 minutes."

Blower's time was 15 hours 54 minutes, and the telegram's reference to 25 minutes was tonight being checked.

Of the four Egyptians who set out from the French coast yesterday on a one-way Channel swim only one succeeded—42-year-old Hassan El Behim, who reached the coast of England last night after swimming across in 17 hours 35 minutes.

Two others were brought to the English coast early today after an unsuccessful attempt. The fourth Egyptian gave up last night after seven hours.—Reuter.

Lawn Bowls Open Pairs
The following are the results of games played yesterday in the Open Pairs of the Lawn Bowls championship.

W. Hong Sling and A.M. Omar beat S. Yusuf and M. Y. Adal 32-16.

A. R. Mniu and A. K. Minu beat B. M. Omar and K. M. Omar 20-14.

A. E. Coates and B. W. Bradbury beat A. A. Razack and J. S. Landolt 18-14.

F. V. V. Ribeiro and C. Roza beat A. A. J. Hall and J. Fraser 20-11.

R. F. da Luz and J. A. de Luz beat T. A. Madar and C. B. R. Selet 23-20.

A. H. Seem and A. M. Wabab lost to L. C. R. Souza and M. J. Medina 10-25.

Tokyo, August 31.
A total of 15 deaths out of 30 passengers reported missing when an overloaded ferry-boat capsized on Saturday on a race in Hokkaido has been confirmed.

The boat with a fixed passenger capacity of 34, was carrying 51 persons.—Reuter.

Surrender Of 10,000 Japs Report

Nanking, August 31.
Military authorities reserved confirmation of surrender of 10,000 Japanese of the Kwangtung Army to the Changchun garrison, but admitted there was such a report and reported Japanese troops in the mountain retreat of Changpeishan.

The military spokesman, Major-General Chang Liu-shih, told the Associated Press the Government would issue an official statement as soon as a detailed report was received, "because these Japanese troops should be employed in heavy technical jobs involved in the reported surrender," said the spokesman.

These were remnants of the Japanese Kwangtung Army who pleaded to surrender to Changchun military authority after the Communists employed heavy pressure against them, according to reports reaching the Defence Ministry.

General Cheng Tung-kuo sent planes and a strong force to contact them near Shuangcheng, 50 miles southeast of Changchun the reports said.

They said the 10,000 Kwangtung Army men, despite three years of hiding were "still in good shape" with sufficient equipment and supplies.—Associated Press.

Reduction Of Interest On Loans

Shanghai, August 31.
Beginning September 1, all banks and financial institutions, both Government-operated and private, will be required to comply with the official regulations supplementary to the financial reform measure setting the rate of interest on loans at 10 per cent effective for 15 days.

According to the announcement, the present rate of interest—15 per cent—on bank loans will be progressively reduced until it is brought within the maximum limit of two per cent by October 1.

From September 16, onwards, the rate will be reduced to the maximum of five per cent at the end of the month. Beginning October 1, the Ministry of Finance will act to enforce a further reduction of the rate to the maximum of two per cent.

These rules shall also apply to bank deposits with a corresponding rate of interest. Operators will be prosecuted under the General Mobilisation Act.—Reuter.

MILITARY OLYMPICS

Brussels, August 30.
When teams representing the armed forces of Great Britain, Belgium, France, Holland, Denmark, Norway, Luxembourg and Turkey meet in a military athletics championship programme next week-end, the programme will follow Olympic lines.

A miniature Olympic torch, ignited from the perpetual flame at the tomb of Belgium's Unknown Soldier will be relayed by representatives of all eight teams to the Heysel Stadium, Brussels, where it will be used to light a flame, which will burn continuously throughout the week-end.

It is expected that a number of Olympic Games finalists will appear in one or another of the teams.—Reuter.

VRC TEA PARTY

The Victoria Recreation Club will be entertaining members of its swimming team at a tea party this afternoon at the club lounge.

This is a traditional gesture of the V.R.C. and stands for a social privilege to the Colony Swimmers' Championships which follow a few weeks later.

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